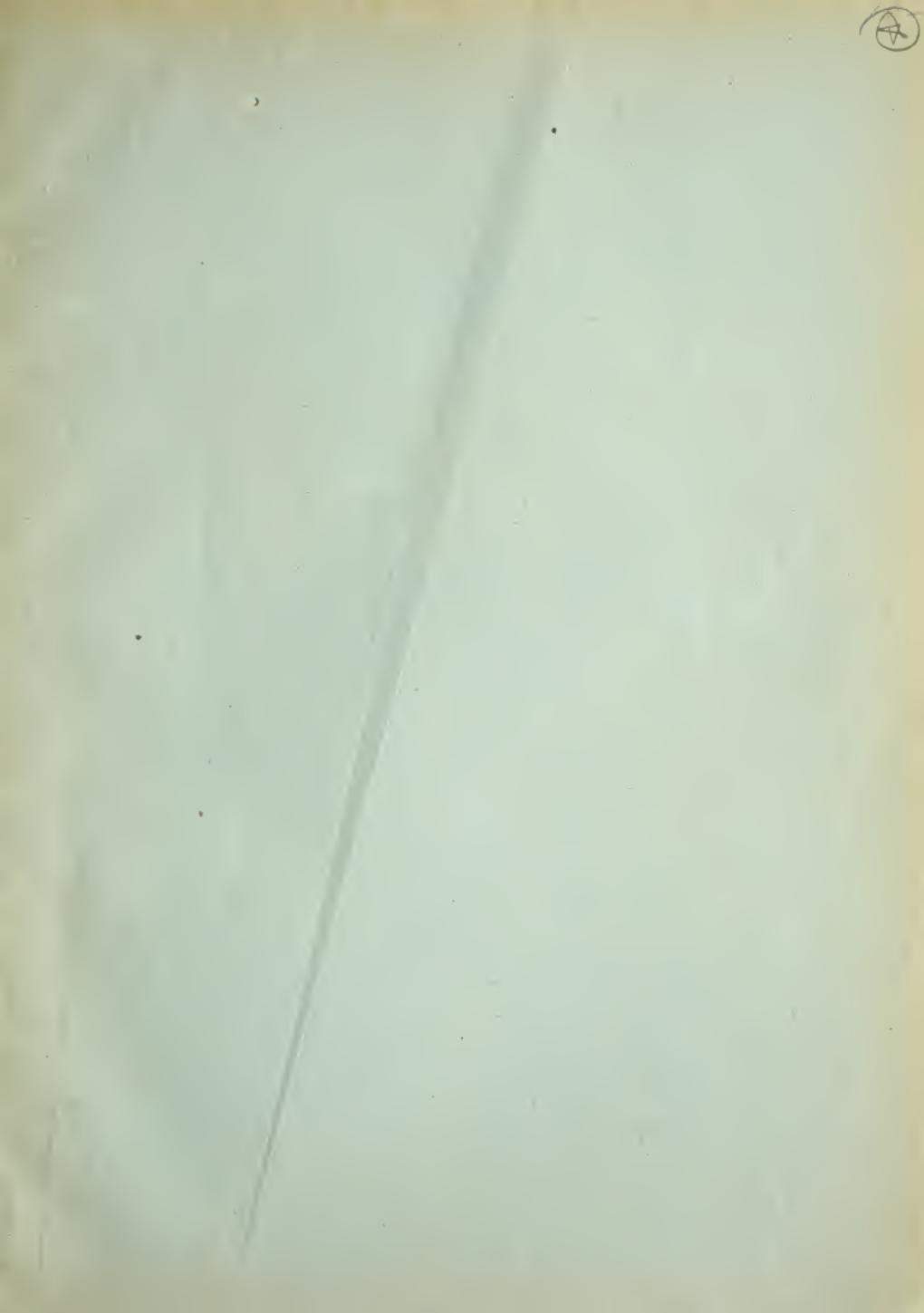


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This book is respectfully dedicated to that prominent and useful citizen, Col. Samuel Park, of Beaumont, who by his unselfish, personal influence and material aid contributed most to make this work a success.



## Introductory.

After many months of constant labor, intermingled with pleasant associations, we submit to you, without an apology, our edition de luxe of Beaumont. Our plan of bringing together and blending the commercial and social conditions of a community into a happy, entertaining and attractive volume is original and unique, and we believe to be the most effective and powerful method of presenting the actual conditions of a community to the world. The rapid industrial, educational and social development of this imperial state demand the production, in permanent form, from time to time, of a correct account of the statistical progress of its various cities, portraying therein the character of their men and women that have assisted materially in the general welfare and progress of the country, and whose lives have stood for the highest order of enlightened progress. We believe this feature alone gives the work a commanding influence before the American people. All of our illustrations as well as the contents of the work have been chosen by us with the most careful and painstaking discrimination. It will be observed that we have brought into the work the personality of many of the citizens of Beaumont, because in so doing we wished to make plain and fully exploit our views upon a subject to which we have given years of experience and thought. We believe to encourage a better class of permanent citizenship, and to gain the confidence of foreign capital and interest it in our prolific opportunities, it is just as necessary to show the culture and refinement of a community as it is to give statistical data setting out strictly the commercial advantages. Then again outside of all commercial advantages this work, in years to come, will be prized beyond value as a family souvenir, giving to the living a lasting pleasure in commemorating the names of those loved ones long since passed away to the great beyond and serving as a tribute of respect to those who have done their part faithfully and well in the race and progress of human life.

It will not be the policy of the Standard Blue Book of Texas to indulge in cheap and extravagant flattery. We hold our work primarily above a money consideration, and we will not indulge in the "write-ups" of individuals at any price, reserving the right only to now and then pluck a little flower and throw it in the pathway of some pioneer Texas hero.

In the compilation of this work we have faithfully and honestly tried to give every one worthy of representation a place in this book. We have extended a personal invitation to every eligible citizen to help us make the edition de luxe of Beaumont the greatest work of its kind ever issued, and we are pleased to say that we have had almost a unanimous co-operation along these lines and have no hesitation in saying that we present to the public the most representative work ever issued of its kind in any city, although we are free to admit, on account of not being able to secure photographs, some few personal illustrations have been unintentionally omitted, to which we would have gladly given space.

We have incorporated in this work such matter as to make it indispensable to the home as a constant reference book, and it will there occupy the same relative position as the city directory does in the business world. This work will be invaluable to the merchant, the banker, the manufacturer and business house of every nature as the only direct reliable method in reaching the wealth and culture of a community. It is the only possible way in which an advertisement can reach the drawing rooms and libraries of the wealthy and be made lasting and perpetual.

The work will be accepted as an authority and as a reliable guide by the homeseeker, investor, tourist and capitalist, and will be a powerful medium in upbuilding the community and in placing business interests in touch with capital seeking investments.

It can be readily seen that we have diverged somewhat from all stereotyped methods in the plan and preparation of this work, and have blazed out unaided through virgin forests in hopes of new discoveries in ideas and methods, seeking to bring together, if possible, a happy combination of the social and poetic side of life, intermingled and blended with the prosaic conditions of commercialism and wealth, into a happy union; a crystallized charm of entertaining reflection and study, as well as a peerless and most powerful advertising medium.

If we have achieved any measure of success we want to take this opportunity to say that our success is largely due to the citizens of Beaumont. Without their liberal aid and unqualified support, zeal and unselfish patriotic devotion to their city such an undertaking without this sympathy, good will and co-operation would have been on our part the wildest folly. In this connection it is with much pleasure that we mention a few of these enterprises and citizens to whom honor is so justly due, viz:

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Respectfully submitted,

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# BEAUMONT AND JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS

## THE CENTER OF THE OIL, LUMBER AND RICE INDUSTRY

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JEFFERSON COUNTY is located in the extreme east and south of Texas. It has forty two miles of gulf coast, sixteen miles of lake frontage and is bounded on the east by the Neches river. The general elevation of this area is thirty feet above the tide. The topograph is quite simple, the country being generally level, the streams are bordered by heavy forest, a large percentage of which has been cut over and is favorable for fruit trees, corn, melons, potatoes etc. About seven-eighths of the land is in prairie and the soil is of a black, waxy texture almost inexhaustible in plant food and if properly cultivated there is scarcely any limit to its productiveness and by intelligent diversification a perpetual harvest can be reaped, vegetation growing the entire year in open field and without protection. Every foot of land in the country is susceptible to a high state of cultivation, the lowlands being especially adapted to rice culture and the uplands to other agricultural products. There are 464,510 acres of virgin prairie land awaiting the advent of the farmer and beneath its rich and fertile soil lies a wealth of mineral deposits. The population of this county in 1900 was 14,236 and in 1907, 55,000. The assessed valuation in 1900 was \$5,493,697, while in 1906 it was \$27,577,900. These figures measure the tide and type of money and men that are flowing into this section. The opportunities are of sufficient magnitude to attract men of affairs and the advantages justify permanent and heavy investment.

This region possesses such features of climate, topography and vegetation as will attract and hold an enterprising farmer. It will maintain fertility, yield abundantly and is susceptible to a wide range of diversification. The soil is largely built up by sediment brought down the river in suspension and deposited in quiet waters, forming rich alluvial land, which the intelligent farmer has appropriated and which now forms a valuable asset to the agricultural resources. The soil and climate is favorable to nearly everything that grows on the surface of the earth, and, in addition to its material advantages has many opportunities for the cultivation of aesthetic tastes and the rational enjoyment of the pleasures of life. It has the happiest homes of any country on the globe.

### CLIMATE.

The climate of this area is that of a warm temperate zone; the winters are never severe, the mercury seldom sinking to the freezing point and never remaining there long. The ground never freezes and plowing and field work can be done all winter. A delightful climate free from extremes; frosts never visit us; devastating storms have never swept this territory and earthquakes are unknown. Cattle can winter on the grasses and require no shelter; the sunshine record of last year showed 335 days. The air movement is slight and gulf breezes are always present, bringing comfort and health. There is no dormant or idle season when consumption eats away production, as in countries where cold paralyzes productive effort for half the year or exhaustive heat restricts a portion of the other half. This has its economic value—every day, a working day—and cannot fail to impress the industrious and frugal who wish to utilize their capital which lies largely in daily earnings.

### SOIL.

The soil is built up from the progressive incorporation of local vegetation of years with marine and mineral deposits, giving our products an appetizing and invigorating flavor which makes our fruit and vegetables sought after by

the markets of the world. The youthful vigor and productive energy of the soil are demonstrated by its remarkable fertility, luxuriant vegetation and natural adaptability to diversification. It will impoverish less rapidly and respond more remuneratively to the use of fertilizers than any other soil on the globe.

This territory being the latest addition to the continental area, nature gave the benefit of her experience in creating land, and not only provided a superior soil and climatic conditions perfectly adjusted to its highest agricultural development, but very thoughtfully arranged transportation facilities for marketing its products. Jefferson county is bounded by 110 miles of navigable water, and numerous bayous reach out and tap the rural district and form natural drainage for the country. Land most remote from waterways can be reached in a few hours drive. The government is engaged in improving our waterways and railroads transverse the rural districts assisting and encouraging the development of our agricultural resources.

#### COMMERCIAL.

Geologists tell us that this is the most recent addition to the continent, at one time the floor of the ocean, and during the cretaceous period an inland sea with an abundance of animal life and immense growth of trees and plants in the highlands and marches bordering. In making over and perfecting this creation nature had at her command the resources and products of land and sea and the accumulated wisdom of ages to guide her in the work. Out of this was formed the Coastal Plain—the triumph of creation. During the uplift which brought this territory to the surface, animal, mineral and vegetable matter was blended together and refined in the crucible of nature and the product separated and stored to await the coming of man. From ocean bed to soil surface is a superior quality of earth, and most of it of commercial importance, with valuable mineral deposits hidden here and there, yet undiscovered; and on the surface we find dense forests of all the leading varieties of timber, of fields of waving grain, extending an invitation to the prospector and beckoning commerce and agriculture. The amazing economy of nature in storing fuel for the development of our commercial interests, providing a soil and climate, conducive to economy and health of labor, in arranging waterways for marketing our products and otherwise perfecting industrial conditions, is a tribute to the commercial foresight and industrial wisdom of the Creator of the universe. Under the husbandry of nature the land yielded gigantic pine trees that stand as a monument to the strength and durability of our soil, carpeted the earth with vegetation and stocked the plains with animals useful to man, creating an empire of agricultural and commercial independence and endowing it with the elements of industrial supremacy—raw material.

The pine tree reaches perfection in this section, the soil and climate being especially adapted to the development of a high grade product. There is hard-wood in abundance and gum and other soft varieties in immense quantities, easily accessible, that can be obtained at a nominal cost.

The discovery of oil at Spindletop in 1901 attracted the attention of the world to Beaumont and resulted in making it the oil center of the great Southwest; several large refineries have been built and pipe lines from all the coastal fields and Oklahoma concentrate at Beaumont and the oil is assembled here for distribution. The total production of the Southeast Texas field for 1907 to October was 415,962 pounds per day.

Sulphur is generally disseminated throughout the mineral kingdom, both in the free state and in combination with other substances. One of the largest sulphur mines in the world is located a few miles from Beaumont, where this element occurs in the native state on the surface of the earth and is removed by superheated steam, its purity giving it preference on the market.

Extensive salt mines have been discovered near here while prospecting for oil. At one point a salt bed 800 feet beneath the surface was encountered; this deposit was found to be 700 feet in depth and several miles in area and could,

no doubt, be worked on the same principle as the sulphur mine. The legs of some of these wells present an interesting study, and in the search for oil, perhaps, more valuable deposits are passed through without receiving attention.

An unlimited supply of glass sand is available a few miles above the city, convenient for loading and can be barged down the river to Beaumont for about 50 cents per ton. This sand has been tested by glass companies and pronounced first class for beer bottles, glass insulators, fruit jars, etc. for which there is a tremendous demand in Texas. Sand can be procured in large quantities from the Neches river within the city limits of Beaumont.

Clay for the manufacture of plain or ornamental brick, and in various beautiful colors, suitable for roofing and tiles, as well as the desirable kinds for the making of sewer pipe, abounds in this section. The development of this industry has hardly begun and its possibilities are but inadequately conceived. We have two large brick manufacturing concerns which turn out a superior grade of brick. Clay products are of such general use that there is practically no limit to the field offered to the manufacturer. All grades of clay occur in this vicinity.

#### AGRICULTURAL.

Everything that grows in the temperate zone and nearly everything that grows in the tropics as well, finds favorable conditions here. The method of cultivation and the varieties grown are the same as in other localities. General farming has not been carried on extensively, although a number of farmers raise considerable corn, potatoes, hay, cotton, vegetables etc. and find it very profitable; but the attention of farmers generally is given to rice. Truck farming is very remunerative and brings quick returns. Fruit culture is making rapid strides and bids fair to become one of our leading industries. The dairy industry is undeveloped and presents remarkable opportunities in its line. High grade live stock of all kinds would bring good returns, Texas is the poultryman's paradise, and there is no better market in the United States than Beaumont.

#### TRUCK FARMING

Truck Farming is the most profitable occupation for this section. Land naturally adapted to this purpose can be purchased for from \$10 to \$50 per acre, according to its state of cultivation, improvements and proximity to the city. Vegetation can be grown the entire year and three or four crops can be harvested off the same ground. A number of farmers in this section are exclusive truckers and grow vegetables in large quantities. The soil and climate is especially adapted to truck farming and the railroads are anxious to furnish facilities and rapid transit to northern and eastern markets, rendering this locality especially attractive to the truck farmer. Our products reach the markets in time for fancy prices.

Radishes, lettuce, and in fact all vegetables that require quick growth to secure the delicate flavors, find favorable conditions here. Vegetables of this class are always in demand and bring quick money, with cultivation simple and returns sure.

#### TOBACCO.

The soil and climate exerts a most important influence on the quality and type of the tobacco crop. This plant will grow everywhere vegetation exists, but only a few small localities on this earth will grow fine tobacco. The wrapper is tender and can not stand the vicissitudes of climate and unfavorable conditions of soil. Chemical analysis and actual comparison of the products have demonstrated that in certain sections of this territory the soil is identical with that of the Cuba tobacco districts and the climate is practically the same.

Tobacco was cultivated extensively by the early settlers, but was lost sight of until quite recently; the large tobacco companies have purchased extensive

holdings in this section and the industry is now on a firm basis. Enormous profits accrue from intelligent cultivation and handling of tobacco.

### FRUIT CULTURE

Fruit culture is now being carried on extensively in this section. Orange groves, fig and peach orchards and other fruits are attracting general attention. In fact, all surface rooted trees and shrubs attain their highest order of development here. The marine and mineral matter in the soil stimulates growth, increases yield and perfects quality of the fruit.

The fig is the common door-yard tree throughout this territory, having been introduced by the early French and Spanish settlers. There is no plant which responds to good treatment so gratefully and repays so abundantly. It is a wonder among fruits. Cuttings planted in nursery rows in March will ripen fruit in September and October, and the yield of the second and third year has commercial value. The fig tree produces fruit on new wood and the cutting back of the growth insures increased yield. Fig culture is destined to become one of the most important industries in this section of the state; the fig belt is limited to coast countries with mild climates and the fig finds a ready market all over the world.

### ORANGES.

For the past sixty years, at least, Southeast Texas has been a producer of oranges. We have a number of orange groves in this locality and the culture is very profitable. In the past forty years we have had two freezes that destroyed the Florida variety of oranges, but the introduction of the Satsuma orange gave us a variety that will stand 10 to 15 degrees more of cold than any other kind, and secures the industry against frost. The Satsuma orange was introduced from Japan some twenty years ago and has been a success from the beginning. It is extremely juicy and finely flavored and ripens in October, striking an almost empty market. A tree three years old should bear 200 oranges and a mature tree 1,500.

Peaches and other fruits are extensively grown and the quality of the product too well known to require discussion and the method of cultivation too common to need description. Train loads of peaches are shipped out of southeast Texas each year and they lead the market wherever they appear.

Grapes, strawberries, blackberries, etc. grow in abundance and mature early, obtaining fancy prices in northern markets.

### POULTRY AND THE DAIRY

Chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese can be raised as cheaply and easily here as anywhere in the world, and yet the local consumption of poultry and eggs is far in excess of the supply. Outside supplies received in Beaumont last year totaled 15,000 turkeys and 30,000 dozen chickens, ducks and geese. Fresh eggs command from 25 to 35 cents the year round, and chickens from \$3.00 to \$4.50 per dozen. Those who are engaged in the business and understand the care of poultry make very handsome profits, and why the situation is as it is can not be satisfactorily explained. However, it leaves room and opportunity for many to make money while solving the riddle.

For many years the poultry raisers have been improving their breeds of chickens, appreciating the advantages of a better grade of poultry. And in order to stimulate a greater interest in thoroughbred poultry the Southeast Texas Poultry and Pet Stock Association was organized in January, 1907, by Ben C. Eastin, who had seen demonstrated the possibilities of raising thoroughbred or a better grade of poultry through his experience with associations in the Eastern and Middle States. The first show given by the association was a flattering success and was declared to be by judges and exhibitors of national reputation one of the best first exhibitions of fine poultry ever held in the South.

The association will give their second annual show November 23-28, 1908, and will put up \$500 in cash prizes. Birds have already been entered from seven states and it is expected a number of other states will enter when catalogue is out.

To give some idea of the quality of the Jefferson County poultry, one local exhibitor won eleven premiums at the Hillsboro, Texas, show in competition with birds formerly exhibited at Missouri and Kansas state shows. He also won the Madison Square, N. Y., Purple Ribbon for the best exhibit of any one class of birds at the show.

While thousands of cattle are fattened on the natural ranges about Beaumont, there are few milk dairies and no creamery or other butter dairy of importance. Milk retails for 8 to 10 cents per quart, and butter brings from 25 to 40 cents per pound. There is no better pasturage to be found than in Southeast Texas, grasses of all sorts flourish luxuriantly and hay should be one of the cheapest commodities grown. Enough forage and milk-making root and fodder crops are wasted annually to care for 1,000 milch cows. The local demand is growing all the time and there is no reason on earth why dairies and creameries should not produce an exportable surplus. The work does not appeal to the old-timer and therefore there are so many more doors open to the newcomer. These sources of great profit will not long remain neglected, and are worthy close attention and prompt investigation.

Hogs will produce splendid profits, for they attain full growth on the mast, and crop refuse now wasted would fatten them for market, another neglected opportunity.

#### HONEY AND HORTICULTURE.

In a land where roses bloom in the open, every month in the year, and the most magnificent specimens you ever saw; where magnolias dot the forest and are grown in every door yard; where the gardenia, or cape jessamine is as common as grass blades; where every garden presents a bewildering array of all bloom that grows in the open, one would suppose that some bright mind would grasp the commercial possibilities and either ship the flowers to Northern cities in December, January and February, where they would command splendid prices, or grow them for their oils and extracts.

The shipment of a carload of roses and other flowers from Beaumont on January 17, to the sick in Kansas City hospitals, proved conclusively that the bloom will stand shipment and command a market, for inquiries from florists poured into Beaumont after the car was received, but it led to nothing in the way of business, although the profit was demonstrated.

So the flowers are left for the bees' banquet and to gladden the vision of all beholders. Flower culture would pay handsomely here for any possible market purpose.

Bees are the thriftiest citizens of Southeast Texas and work overtime because there are few days or weeks in the year when they necessarily "knock off the job." Every venture known to the writer that has been made in this section by intelligent apiarists has been a financial success, and yet but few people engage in handling the cheapest crop grown. In Bee and other counties of Central Texas honey raising is carried on successfully and on a larger scale. There is room here for 100 colonies of bees to every colony of settlers that can be induced to probe our marvelous resources.

Every variety of mint thrives in great luxuriance, rapid in growth and the finest in flavor often found. The plant is exceedingly productive of oil and a "mint still" would be as profitable as any "turpentine still" where five times the capital would be required.

Verily, this is the land of opportunity, and sadly engelected opportunity at that—but, the day of neglect is past and Southeast Texas is now the "land awake."

## BEAUMONT, THE METROPOLIS.

Beaumont has a population of about 30,000 people and is the principal city in southeast Texas, is situated on the west bank of the Neches River, which has an average depth of thirty-five feet from the city to the mouth, where it flows on to the Sabine Lake and reaches the Gulf of Mexico through Sabine Pass. The government recognizing the commercial importance of our city has just completed a canal giving Beaumont ten feet of water and will continue the work to a depth of twenty five feet. The transportation facilities are unexcelled making it the distributing and manufacturing center of the gulf coast; It is the oil center of the coastal field, and its refineries and pipe lines make its supremacy permanent. It is located in the center of the rice belt and has three of the largest rice mills in the world and is considered the best rice market in the United States. Southeast Texas is the home of the pine tree and Beaumont,

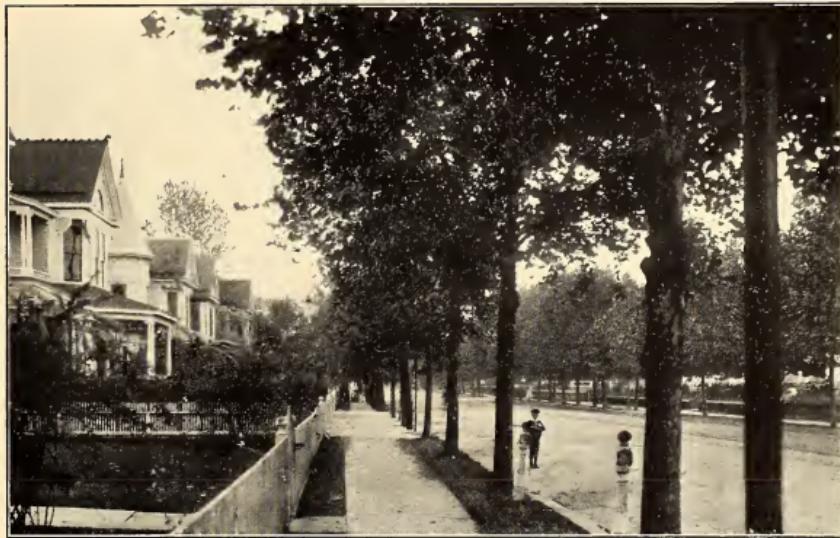


PEARL STREET LOOKING SOUTHEAST FROM CROCKETT STREET

is the domicile of large lumber companies that handle the forest products of this section. It is a great industrial, as well as a commercial center, and, while it leads in the refining of oil, milling of rice and manufacture of lumber, other industrial pursuits are well represented. Surrounded by raw material, both above and beneath the earth; excellent transportation facilities both natural and acquired; cheap fuel; abundant labor supply; agricultural resources; progressive citizenship, organizing and encouraging industrial development of the mineral resources of this locality, renders it the logical industrial center of the gulf coast, and the natural laws of commerce are forcing industries to gravitate toward this city. It has three national and two state banks. They are conservative, progressive and accommodating along consistent lines. All lines of mercantile pursuits are well represented. The retail merchants are live and progressive, while the wholesale and commission houses do the business in their territory. The public health is generally good as compared with other cities.

in the United States, the death rate is very low, being only 12.8 per 1,000 population, whereas the average death rate of the urban population in the United States is 17.8 per thousand. The year's record shows 335 days of sunshine. Perpetual sunshine, together with sea breezes, permeated with turpentine odor of pine forests, act as a specific on chronic diseases and contribute toward the general health of the community.

The social, religious and educational institutions of the city are well organized and most of them have splendid edifices of their own. The city has doubled in population in the past five years, drawing from the more progressive element of the east, north, and west, and the result has been the general elevation of society. The city is large enough and the opera house sufficiently commodious to attract the best theatrical troupes. It has thirty-four church organizations, with buildings centrally located, having a combined seating capacity of 17,500. It has seven public school buildings where modern educational methods are



CALDER AVENUE, ONE OF BEAUMONT'S POPULAR RESIDENCE STREETS

applied, and a number of private schools affording special training along specific lines. Its business blocks are constructed of brick running up from two to six stories high.

The musical talent of this city is unsurpassed and the people much devoted to the art. Plantation melodies sung by typical southern darkies amuse the masses and classical pieces rendered by skillful musicians inspire those of refined tastes.

It is a perfect paradise for out-of-door pleasure. It is one continual round of attractions; hunting, fishing, boating, driving, golf and all forms of out-door sports and amusements changing at regular intervals. Each season puts on a different attraction and scenery, challenging the admiration of the tourist and testing the skill of the sportsman. It is difficult to say which is the most delightful and entertaining season of the year.

In the "Big Thicket" near Beaumont, can be found, deer, bear, wild cats, catamounds, wild turkeys and all furred animals. It is nature's zoological park and the animal instinct for self preservation keeps it well stocked. Nature has shown her friendship for its occupants by providing a protection of heavy under-growth and natural conditions that give the animals an even chance to escape, which adds to the excitement of the chase.

Among the feathered creation the sportsman fairly revels. Ducks of every known variety swarm in the rice fields, swim in the lakes, creeks and bayous, and millions of them darken the sky at sundown and sunrise, flying from one feeding place to another. Brant, geese and all birds of travel find this the most attractive resort along their route and enjoy the surroundings agreeable to their nature until their migratory instinct forces them onward.

There is no better fishing in America than on the Gulf Coast, in the lakes, rivers and bayous of Jefferson County. The lovers of aquatic sport can find delightful pastime with the bass, tarpon, spanish mackerel, red fish, trout and



PEARL STREET, LOOKING SOUTHEAST FROM THE POST OFFICE

other fish which abound in these waters. Sabine Pass, about one hour's run from Beaumont, is one of the finest fishing resorts on the Gulf Coast during the fishing season, from May to November. Tarpon, the silver king, the trout, sea bass or Jew fish often attain 500 or 800 pounds in weight. Spanish mackerel and king fish, the gamest of the game fish, and many other smaller varieties such as red fish, speckled trout and sheepshead are very numerous and are caught in large numbers. Boats and boatmen are always available to get to and from the fishing ground.

There are many beautiful drives in and about the city. Immense shell deposits on the river have been used in grading country roads, making a substantial and delightful driveway.

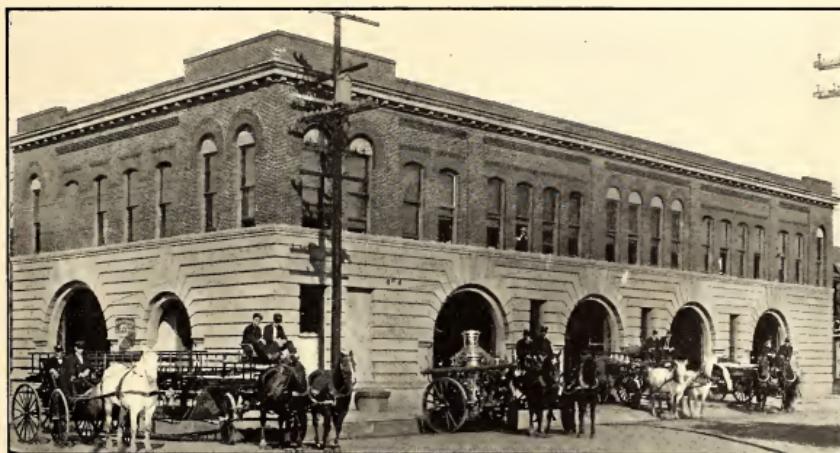
Pleasure launches find attractive scenery along the Neches River, which is navigable for 350 miles. In scenic grandeur and transcendent beauty, it is almost without a parallel, rivalling in some respects the Hudson and the Rhine..

### THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

Not the least of Beaumont's claim to distinction as one of the most enterprising, prosperous and progressive cities of the Southwest is its excellent city administration, which is headed by Mayor Emmett A. Fletcher, who will shortly begin his second term of office as mayor of Beaumont.

The official family of Beaumont is composed of Mayor Fletcher and six aldermen, as follows: P. A. Dowlen, P. A. Heisig, I. R. Bordages, Holmes Duke, J. Frank Keith and W. W. Kyle, who, in the private walks of life, are leaders in the business and professional circles of the city, and who were induced to serve on the council through public spirit, civic pride and a desire to assist actively in furthering the progress and well-being of Beaumont. The remainder of the city's official family is made up of City Attorney Marvin Scurlock, City Tax Collector and Assessor Tom C. King, City Marshal James H. Stewart, who have just been nominated to succeed themselves for another term, and City Secretary J. G. Sutton.

That Beaumont's city administration is justly esteemed the best the city ever had and that the business-like methods of conducting the city's affairs



CITY HALL AND CENTRAL FIRE STATION

and the strict enforcement of all the laws, which has been a pronounced feature of the administration for the past two years, is highly appreciated by the people of Beaumont is shown by the fact that in the fall of 1907, when the citizens of Beaumont voted on the proposition of adopting a commission form of government, similar in its outlines to that obtaining at Houston and at Dallas, the people refused to make a change or adopt the commission, and the telling argument used in the campaign was that Beaumont had such an excellent administration already, with every department administered so honestly, efficiently and economically that there was no necessity for a change, and the commission amendments to the city charter were accordingly defeated.

The affairs of the city are conducted very much like those of a large business corporation, with Mayor Fletcher as the president and the members of the city council as the directors. The mayor is active and alert at all times and personally supervises the extensive sewer improvements now being made by Beaumont and the street paving work, while each and every department and division of the city's affairs comes in for the mayor's closest supervision and most immediate and paternal care.



THOS. C. KING  
Tax Assessor and Collector



J. G. SUTTON  
City Secretary



EMMETT A. FLETCHER  
Mayor



ED. E. EASTHAM  
Chief of Fire Department



JAMES H. STEWART  
City Marshal

The Beaumont administration is not only efficient and progressive, but it is characterized by the greatest harmony and *esprit du corps*. The city's administration appropriately may be likened to a happy official family in which each and all move and work in their respective departments for the good of the whole, and it is acknowledged throughout Texas that Beaumont has one of the best municipal governments that it is possible for a city to have under our American form of government.

It is to the lasting credit of the city's municipal government that during the past two years not only have great and permanent city improvements been made, bonds issued for a new market house and fire stations, bonds for three new ward school buildings, new school buildings erected and great progress made in sewer and street paving work, but the financial condition of the city was never better, as shown by the mayor's recent annual message to the council, submitting statement of the financial condition of the city for the past fiscal year. These splendid improvements will remain as perpetual monuments to the Fletcher administration, while at the same time the citizens of Beaumont can point with pride to the fact that in this city the laws are thoroughly and impartially enforced and to the gratifying truth that there has been a large decrease in crime and violations of the law in this city.

The administration such as Beaumont now has is of the kind that is needed to guide the city forward in its onward march to its destined place as one of the leading cities of Texas, and is a source of just pride to its citizenship.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH



ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH (CATHOLIC)

## BEAUMONT CITY SCHOOLS.

Under the charter provisions of 1881 Beaumont organized a city system of schools in 1884 with the following board of education:

H. W. Smith, mayor and ex-officio president, Geo. W. O'Brien, J. L. Williams, Wm. Weiss, L. P. Ogden, Jno. W. Keith, Geo. W. Carroll.

Under the census enumeration of 1884 there were 253 white and 174 negro children of school age.

The board purchased the old Fireman's hall and the negro Odd Fellow's hall for \$567.50 for school buildings, and employed five white and three negro teachers.

Thos. Ward White was appointed temporary superintendent and empowered to grade the schools and make assignment of teachers. He was succeeded by H. E. Chambers in October of the same year.

W. H. Fonte was elected superintendent in August, 1885 and resigned in October. The management of the schools was then placed under the principals



BEAUMONT PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL

of the white and negro schools, and this management was continued until July 1889 when C. F. Johnston was made Superintendent.

By popular subscription and bond issue the North End school was built in 1890.

Superintendent Johnston added the eighth grade to the course in 1889 and the following year added the ninth.

In 1892 C. A. Bryant was elected superintendent and served two years. He added the tenth grade, forming a three year high school course. He was succeeded by P. A. Dowlen who served two years. The schools since their organization had been supported by state funds for four and five months each year. Lack of funds necessitated the closing of the schools during the school years 1896-97.

On March 8th, 1897, the board resigned in a body because the council refused to order an election for a 25 cent school tax.

A new Board was organized May 19th, 1897, and a 25 cent school tax was voted June 12th, 1897.

P. S. Halleck was elected principal of North End school and Dr. G. H. Stoval was appointed superintendent without salary. Dr. Stoval resigned the

following December and the Schools were placed under the management of the principals.

On May 2d, 1898 the office of city superintendent was created with a salary and I. H. Bryant was elected superintendent. He served one month and was succeeded by F. A. Parker who served three years. He was succeeded by B. F. Pettus who served two years. Superintendent Pettus was succeeded by H. F. Triplett in 1903.

In 1902 school building bonds were voted to the amount of \$85,000.00 with which a \$60,000.00 high school building for whites and two buildings for negroes were erected in 1904.

In 1906 the city voted a \$30,000.00 bond issue with which the \$15,000.00 Ogden school was built and a \$15,000.00 building ordered built on N. Magnolia.

The enrollment in 1884 was 427; in 1891, was 699; in 1899, was 902; in 1900, was 1203; in 1901, was 1848; in 1903, was 2444; and in 1907, was 3102.

As now organized the Beaumont city school system has seven grades below the high school and a four year high school course.

Sixty teachers are employed and a nine months' school has been maintained each year since the school tax of 25 cents on the \$100.00 was voted June 12th, 1897.



THE OGDEN SCHOOL  
Named in Honor of L. P. Ogden, a Prominent Citizen and Native of Beaumont

A manual training department was established in 1904 and has since been a popular and valued course. Four year courses are maintained in Latin, German, French, and Spanish. The Texas University classes all affiliated high schools into three classes. The Beaumont high school is ranked by the University as first class, being credited with fourteen units work. This affiliation extends to mathematics, English, history, chemistry, Latin, and German. It is expected that this affiliation will extend to physics, botany, French and Spanish during the present year. The Beaumont high school is now affiliated with Texas university, Tulane university, Washington and Lee university, Baylor university, Christian university, and South Western university. This practically gives affiliation with any university or college in the United States.

The High School has graduated sixty one students. The present senior Class has twenty three students.

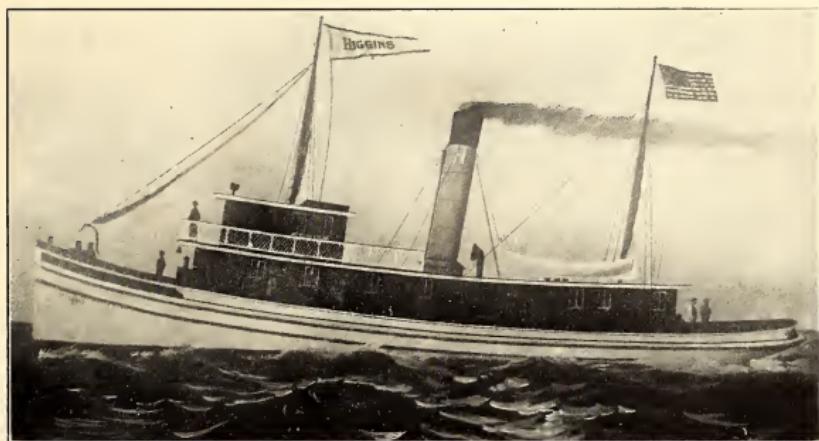
City school board of trustees, 1907, are as follows:

E. A. Fletcher, mayor and president; Geo. O. B. Millard, president pro tem; Louis Mayer, secretary; Guy W. Junker, A. B. Brock, Dr. George Collier, H. B. Funchess.

## TRANSPORTATION.

There is no factor more important to the development of a country than its transportation facilities. Upon the character of the service and the nature of the competition depends its value to commerce. Beaumont has railroads radiating in every direction; has four leading trunk lines to the continent, and has strong competitive service to all important centers. Beaumont has ten railroads, four of the leading trunk lines, towit: Frisco, Santa Fe, Southern Pacific, Kansas City Southern, with a number of branch lines feeding the systems at this point.

In addition to our extensive railroads connections, Beaumont has an advantage which cannot be overestimated in her river transportation and deep water facilities. Nowhere on the American continent is there a river so well adapted to commerce as the Neches. It has a depth of 35 feet and a width of 1,000 feet for a distance above Beaumont. It is a mild stream that feels the effect of the tide for 100 miles inland. It is of even depth and width, and its shores form natural wharfage. It is a commercial body of water. On its placid waters can anchor all the ships that float and its wharves can accomodate the trade of



THE HIGGINS (AT BEAUMONT)

One of the Sea-going Tugs Owned by the Higgins Oil and Fuel Company and Engaged in their Extensive Trade on the Gulf Coast

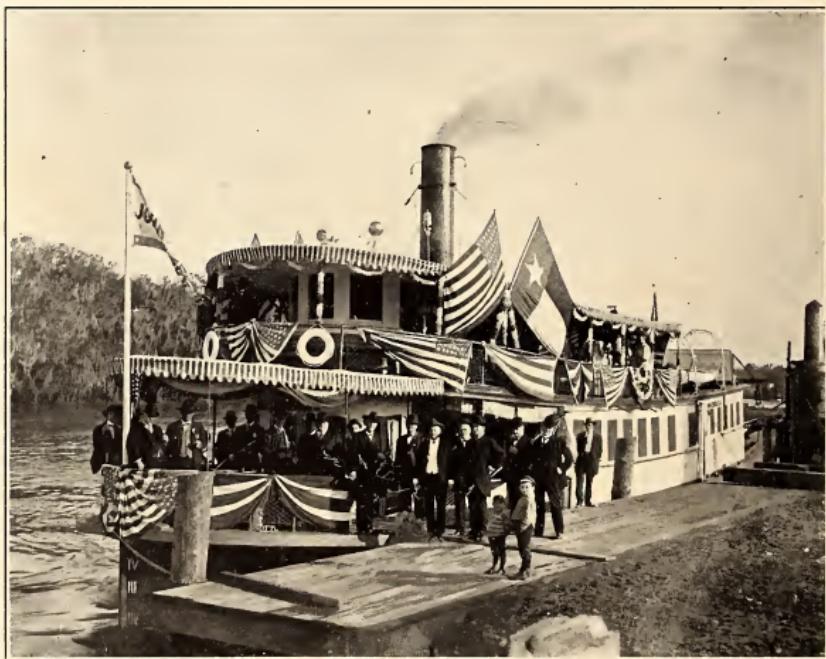
has completed a canal to an initial depth of 10 feet and will continue to a depth of 25 feet, connecting our river with the Gulf of Mexico. The Intercostal canal connecting the Mississippi river with the Rio Grande will give Beaumont access to the interior markets of the United States at minimum transportation rates and adequate facilities. As a distributing point, it is without a parallel in the United States.

Immediately upon the opening of the canal Mr. C. L. Wallis, the president of the Higgins Oil Company, one of the strongest oil companies of Beaumont, demonstrated the shipping facilities and the great advantage to accrue to Beaumont by building a wharf and providing loading facilities for the company's ocean-going barges. The barges are now engaged in the traffic and are being loaded regularly at the Beaumont wharf. We present in this volume a photo of the ocean going tug "Higgins," which was recently in port.

To the uninitiated the volume of freight originating in the territory contingent to Beaumont is a matter of surprise and of gratification as well. The

the world. It is navigable for 200 miles above Beaumont and the government figures covering this tonnage which have been compiled for the Deep Water Committee of the Chamber of Commerce are most comprehensive, showing, as they do, the possibilities of the section in the way of freight that may be shipped out by water, and are a strong argument, as they were intended to be, for the deepening of the new channel to twenty-five feet so as to permit the passage of ocean going vessels to this city where they may be brought into direct connection with all the railroads entering here.

While river men are of the opinion that the effect of the current in the channel which is now opened will be to scour the bottom to the desired depth, yet this result is wholly problematical, and even if it does have this result it



THE STEAMER JOHN H. KIRBY (AT BEAUMONT)  
With Governor Campbell's Party for a Trip Down the Neches River

may require a long time in its action, so efforts for the full twenty-five feet should not be relaxed by Beaumont, and these figures, comprehensive as they are, in conjunction with the findings of Engineer Axtell and the report of Major McIndoe, should prove convincing.

What the recommendations of the Engineering Bureau of the War Department in this matter may be cannot be told, but these figures make a strong showing, and it is probable that with the early utilization of the present channel, with the installation of a regular line of steamers in the near future, showing an inclination on the part of this city to use to the best advantage that which it now has, the twenty-five foot channel is but the matter of a short wait.

## AGRICULTURE.

In the basin of the Sabine-Neches River we have 11,648,640 acres of fertile lands as follows:

	Acres
Standing Timber.....	5,526,221
Cut Over Lands.....	3,912,160
Prairie Lands.....	2,210,259
 Total .....	 11,648,640

We had last year, including cut over and prairie lands, about 2,734,080 acres under cultivation and the remainder is standing timber or vacant lands which are being rapidly settled. During 1907 this acreage yielded 1,367,040 tons of agricultural products and if all our lands except those in standing timber had been under cultivation we would have had an additional tonnage of 3,066,709 tons making a total agricultural tonnage both actual and prospective of 4,433,748 tons. These figures are based on a yield of 100 pounds per acre, while rice, which is largely cultivated, yields 1,800 per acre.



VIEW OF NECHES RIVER AT BEAUMONT

## OIL.

There was produced in the coastal oil field during 1907, 31,519,573 barrels, and new fields are being frequently discovered which are piped to Beaumont. We have two 8-inch pipe lines from Oklahoma and as a pipe line is simply a continuation of the well casing it places this field, as well as all others, within the city limits of Beaumont. The annual capacity of these lines is 40,000 barrels daily or 14,600,000 annually which, together with the yield of the local field, viz, 31,519,573 barrels, make a total of 48,119,573 barrels, or 4,885,553 tons of oil pumped to this city for distribution during 1907.

## LIVE STOCK.

The live stock in the basin of the Sabine-Neches Rivers during the year 1907 was as follows:

	KIND	Head	No. Head	Shipped	Tons
Cattle.....		178,294	91,323	27,396	
Horses and Mules.....		113,149	23,130	11,565	
Sheep.....		72,296	29,500	1,101	
Wool.....				253	
Hogs.....		126,779	97,420	4,871	
<b>TOTAL.....</b>		<b>490,518</b>	<b>241,518</b>		<b>45,186</b>

As the lands are settled the grade of live stock and the number is increased.



THE PLEASURE LAUNCH DIXIE, OWNED BY CAPT. WILLIAM WIESS

## LUMBER.

There is standing timber in the basin of the Sabine-Neches Rivers as follows:

Pine.....	27,618,000,000 feet
Hardwood.....	23,410,500,000 feet

Which is equivalent to 53,853,625 tons of lumber. In this basin there are sixty-three saw mills with an annual capacity of 5,300,000 feet or an annual output of 3,712,500 tons. As the timber is cut off this land is available for agriculture, and the tonnage yield is perpetuated.

## CLAY DEPOSITS.

We have an unlimited supply of clays in this section and all grades occur in unlimited quantities. The earth's surface is covered with valuable clays. We have two brick yards near Beaumont with an annual capacity of 50,000,000 brick. These plants are located on the Neches River, and almost the entire output will go via water. We have in a radius of 150 miles seven brick yards

with a total capacity of 375,420 tons annually. The completion of the Sabine-Neches channel will open up the water market at a low freight rate and large quantities of this product will pass through our channel.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

In addition to the tonnage above described we have other minerals in large quantities of commercial importance such as silica, building stone and rock quarries and sand. We also have turpentine plants which extract this article from the standing trees and a paper mill at Orange using the slabs and refuse of the mills, which affords an additional tonnage not estimated in the standing timber items. We estimate the miscellaneous tonnage at 198,500 tons during 1907.



UNITED STATES REVENUE CUTTER WINDOME, AT BEAUMONT

#### RECAPITULATION.

Actual tonnage originating in the Sabine-Neches basin in 1907 and shipped out:

	Tons
Agriculture.....	1,367,040
Oil.....	4,885,553
Lumber.....	3,712,500
Live Stock.....	45,186
Clay Deposits.....	375,420
Miscellaneous.....	198,500
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>10,584,199</b>

This would load 5,584 vessels of 2,000 tons burden.

These figures relate to tonnage originating in the basin of the Sabine-Neches Rivers and have no reference to the freight shipments brought in by rail. We have in Beaumont ten railroads and four of them trunk lines which reach all parts of the United States.



JAS. M. LONG  
A Pioneer Lumberman



F. L. CARROLL  
A Pioneer Lumberman



JOHN W. KEITH  
A Pioneer Lumberman

## THE LUMBER INDUSTRY.

As a manufacturing and commercial city Beaumont will rank with the first cities of the South. There are in the city about eighty corporations engaged either in manufacturing or commerce, or both, and exclusive of the oil and rice industries. These corporate companies have an aggregate capitalization of \$8,762,000.

It is a city of mills and factories and of wholesale houses. Among the manufacturing establishments are four immense lumber mills in the city, while there are thirteen lumber companies that make this point their headquarters; here the business of their various mills is transacted and here the money is deposited. The capitalization of these companies is \$3,325,000.

Among the larger of these are the Industrial Lumber Company, with four mills, giving employment to about 500 employees, turning out about 75,000,000 feet per annum; Beaumont Lumber Company, employs 600 persons, and turns out



BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE SABINE TRAM COMPANY'S PLANT AT DEWEYVILLE, TEXAS

75,000,000 feet of lumber and 1,000,000 railroad ties per annum; the Reliance Mill, owned by the Kirby Lumber Company; on the water front in the city employs 250 hands and turns out 2,500,000 feet of lumber; the Sabine Tram Company has an annual output of 70,000,000 feet, and the Keith Company 30,000,000 feet.

The Nona Mills Company, Limited, whose plant is located at Leesville, La., has its sales office at Beaumont, Texas, where all of the officers reside except the vice president, who is also the manager at the plant, and is domiciled at Leesville.

The company own some 75,000 acres of land and have enough timber to operate their plant at Leesville for twenty-five years. Its plant at Leesville is a model and up to date in every particular, embracing saw mill, dry kiln, planing mill, lath mill and railroad. The plant is lighted by its own electric light plant, and the daily out-put is over 100,000 feet.

In connection with the lumber business the company also has a complete turpentine plant, making turpentine from fat slabs and pine knots. They have also a turpentine camp. The turpentine and rosin industry is extensive, and from these camps they market annually several hundred thousands dollars worth of turpentine and rosin.

Mr. John N. Gilbert, of Beaumont, is the president of the company and gives the business his personal attention, and is regarded as one of the best lumbermen in the country, having devoted his life to the lumber business.

L. B. Pipkin is secretary and treasurer and sales agent, and has been connected with the company from its organization.

The directors are John N. Gilbert, Geo. W. Carroll, C. L. Wallis, G. R. Ferguson and L. B. Pipkin, all of whom are experienced lumbermen.

The Nona Mills Company has its headquarters at Beaumont and is one of the pioneer lumber manufacturing concerns of the State. The plant of the company is now located at Odelia, Texas, and in addition to the manufacturing of lumber they are also engaged in the supplying of hewn tie and piling. The Company have more than 40,000 acres of land in Texas.

The International Creosoting Works maintain here on the water front at Brake's Bayou the largest plant of its kind in the world. Access to timber, facilities for transportation and the position of this city as a distributing point were the factors which located this immense plant here. Its business is that of treating timbers, railroad ties, etc., to preserving processes, varying with the use to which they are to be put. The company treats about 25,000,000 feet of timber in this plant annually.

The Beaumont Shingle mills turn out 100,000 cypress shingles annually.

Other factories handling lumber products are: several planing mills, two sash, door and blind factories, manufacturing wood work, interior finish, store and bank fixtures, pillars, newell posts, balustrades, etc.; arm and pin factories for telegraph and telephone services and box and crate works.

By reason of her superior shipping facilities Beaumont is the recognized leading lumber market of the Southwest, lumber and timber of all kinds being shipped to all parts of the civilized world. With rail lines penetrating the vast long leaf pine forests of East Texas and Western Louisiana, the city is the great milling and distributing center, not for the United States, but for the Latin American countries, Europe, Asia and Africa.

Some few years back, when general business throughout the United States was disturbed, the great lumber interests were naturally as much affected as any other. The Beaumont mill men then sought for new and profitable fields, and soon established a large and profitable export trade, particularly with Mexico. Enormous quantities were exported through Sabine Pass, Port Arthur and Galveston.

By rail the lumber is distributed to points in nearly every State in the Union, even to Washington, a great lumber producer itself. Millions of feet are shipped to Oklahoma, the Indian Territory, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, the Dakotas, New Mexico, Arizona, Idaho, Utah, California, Oregon and in fact the entire Northwest. The trade with Old Mexico is enormous in itself. The famous long leaf pine is also exported by the Beaumont mills to all of the Central and South American States, Cuba, Porto Rico and other West Indian Islands, Australia and New Zealand, Russia, Roumania, England, Ireland, Scotland, Germany, Holland, France, Italy, Spain and Africa. Since the general revival in the business world there has been a remarkable boom in the domestic demand, with a most satisfactory advance in prices, consequently the mill men are now giving more attention to the domestic than to the export trade, as it is more satisfactory.

The lumber sawed and manufactured by the mills located in Beaumont gives employment to many hundred hands and the pay rolls of the mills would sustain a town of no mean size, even if there were no other industries. The

lumbermen are the real pioneers of East Texas. As their properties have enlarged so has the City of Beaumont. Whatever was for the good of the city in a material way, they not only advocated but financially supported, and a more liberal, public spirited or progressive set of men could not be found. During the panicky times they never lost confidence. Their resources were taxed, their very souls were tried, but they held firm and instead of showing weakness they set about to open up new avenues of trade. In this they were successful and to the indomitable pluck of the lumber men is due the fact that many other industries have been enabled to find foreign markets for their manufactured products.

During the whirl of excitement which has followed the discovery of oil in this section the lumbermen have been serene. They have kept the lumber interests moving and at the same time their land holdings have proven to be bonanzas. However, they deserve all the success which has come to them. Their fortitude under most trying circumstances, their liberality, patriotism and progressive spirit have conquered and to the lumbermen Beaumont owes much of its prestige.

The great lumber industry has fed more people, done more to develop Beaumont and Southeast Texas and made more millionaires than any other ten industries combined in this section of Texas, and the present industrial development now going on and the commercial progress of this section of Texas is largely due to the lumber men of Beaumont.

#### PIONEER LUMBERMEN.

No greater honor could have been won than that of having the distinction of developing this vast industry which has meant so much for the commercial supremacy and prosperity of Jefferson County and East Texas, and the names and achievements of the pioneer lumber men should be perpetuated forever in the industrial and commercial history of the country. While it is in no sense the purpose of this work to treat of any subject historically or biographically, still it would be a gross omission not to mention the names of those industrial heroes who built and operated the first saw mills and laid the foundation for the great lumber business of Jefferson County.

The first mill, a sash saw, was erected by Judge Lewis in the early fifties. The second mill erected at Beaumont was purchased by Simon Wiess, agent for Ross & Alexander, in New York in 1856, and was erected where the Creosote Works are now located. This was a circular saw. Thad Clark and Thomas Fletcher were the millwrights. After running it awhile Ross & Alexander sold to Davis Long & Son. Frank L. Carroll came into the firm about this time, and later on John F. Keith, forming the Long Manufacturing Company. A shingle mill was then added. W. A. Fletcher also became a member of this firm. The third mill erected at Beaumont was by Wm. J. Philips at the mouth of Break's Bayou about the year 1857. This property was afterwards purchased by John F. Pipkin and Haltom. This was also a circular saw. The fourth mill built at Beaumont was purchased from Steadman & Co., Aurora, Ind., and was brought down the Mississippi River to New Orleans, and from thence by schooner, and was landed and erected right where the Reliance Mill now stands on Break's Bayou. These three mills were run during the entire Civil War, mostly for the Confederate Government, and all of them except the Long mill went down with the Confederacy, either by fire or decay.

Our fellow citizen, Mr. V. Wiess, then a boy, was detailed by the Confederate commander of this department to manage the logging of these mills. The logs were cut near Wiess's Bluff and floated down the river to the mills.

Ruff & Ward erected a circular saw mill in 1860-61, which was owned and operated after the war by Goldsmith & Reagan. In 1870 and 1871 the Brewer circular saw mill was built.

Mr. James L. Long, one of the pioneers of the lumber business, was born in Georgia in 1836, coming to Texas in 1860. No one deserves greater honor than Mr. Long for making the lumber industry of Jefferson County a practical success. Mr. Long died in 1873.

John W. Keith was born in Florida in 1845. He came to Texas when a boy. At the outbreak of the Civil War he enlisted in the Confederate army at Sabine Pass, serving with gallantry until the close of hostilities when he moved to Beaumont. He was first employed in the mercantile store of J. M. Long, afterwards becoming a member of the firm of Long & Son. He remained a member of the firm until his death in 1889.

Mr. Frank L. Carroll, another distinguished pioneer lumberman, was born May 25, 1831, in Dallas County, Alabama. In 1848 he moved with his parents and sisters and brothers to Mansfield, La., and five years later a partnership was formed of Mr. Carroll and his father, Thomas A. Carroll, and his brother, Joseph Carroll. The firm built a mill near Mansfield and active operations were carried on for five years. Mr. Carroll then moved to Natchitoches, La., where he again engaged in the manufacturing business.

It was after the close of the Civil War, during which he served with distinction in the Second Louisiana Cavalry, that Mr. Carroll began his career in the Lone Star State, with whose lumber interests his name is inseparably linked. In 1868 he went to Beaumont, where he became associated with the late James M. Long, and the firm inaugurated the old Long Shingle & Saw Mill. This mill occupied the present site of the plant of the International Creosoting & Construction Company, and it was operated until a few years ago. Subsequently Mr. Carroll engaged in business with Capt. W. A. Fletcher and the two men built a saw mill at Village Mills. Upon the dissolution of this partnership Captain Fletcher organized the Texas Tram & Lumber Company, while Mr. Carroll organized the Beaumont Lumber Company. This company was one of Mr. Carroll's greatest achievements in the lumber line. It was he who built up the immense organization and was its chief factor until the sale of the property to the Kirby Lumber Company in 1900.

It was after he had disposed of his interests in the Beaumont Lumber Company that Mr. Carroll and J. N. Gilbert inaugurated the Nona Mills Company, Limited, operating mills at Leesville, La., and having a main office in Beaumont.

In 1886 Mr. Carroll took up his residence in Waco and he made that city his home until his death. He was secretary and treasurer of Baylor University, and one of his gifts to that institution was \$100,000 for a memorial hall. As a member of the Baptist Church he was a loyal supporter and an earnest worker. He was a deacon of the church and was most liberal in giving of his wealth to any movement for the advancement of religion or education. He was a philanthropist and many are the acts of charity that he has performed and of which none but the recipients of his benevolence are aware.

Rev. Jno. F. Pipkin, a prominent factor in the pioneer lumber industry, was born in Georgia in 1809 and moved to Jefferson County, Texas, in 1855, and came to the City of Beaumont to reside in 1861 or 1862. He was the first minister to make his home in Beaumont. He engaged in the saw mill business in Beaumont in 1866. In 1884 he was elected County Judge of Jefferson County and served his county in this capacity until his death in 1890. Rev. Pipkin married nearly all of the old settlers of Beaumont and his name is a household word among the old families, beloved and reverenced by all.

W. A. Fletcher, the most distinguished living lumber man today, who belonged to the old regime, was born in Saint Landry Parish, La., in 1839, moving to Texas in 1856. Mr. Fletcher was a practical saw mill operator, being considered the most skillful mechanic and competent millwright in Texas, and it was in a great measure due to his thorough knowledge of the mill business that the companies he was connected with were conducted so successfully. After being a member of the Long Manufacturing Company for a number of years he organized the Texas Tram & Lumber Company, which became one of the

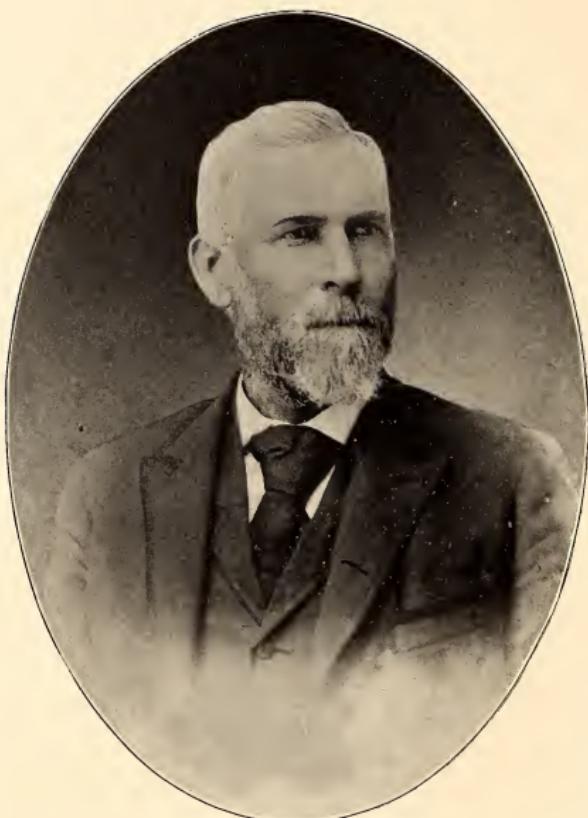
largest and most successful institutions of its kind in Texas. He continued in the successful management of this company until its sale to the Kirby Lumber Company in 1900, since which time Mr. Fletcher has been retired from active business life, having accumulated a handsome fortune. When war was declared between the North and South Mr. Fletcher immediately enlisted in the Confederate army, becoming a member of Company F, Fifth Texas. He served with marked bravery and distinction throughout the entire war. He has performed every duty in life with ability and honor and today is revered as one of Jefferson County's most distinguished business men, citizens, soldiers and patriots. In 1865 he married Miss Julia Long, of Georgia, a daughter of Davis Long and Elizabeth Pickard. Five children, four boys and one girl, are now living to bless this happy union, the boys being leaders in the commercial and industrial life of Beaumont, and Miss Fletcher, the only girl, a popular and accomplished member of society.

George W. Smyth, who is one of the most prominent figures in the lumber industry of Texas, was born in Jasper County, Texas, on June 19, 1842. He was raised on a farm. He entered the Confederate army on March 5, 1862, and served through the war in the states of Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia, participating in many engagements and being twice wounded. His conduct as a soldier won the admiration and plaudits of his entire regiment, the name of Geo. W. Smyth becoming the synonym for courage and fearlessness. He returned home from the army and was married in 1865 to Miss Rosealthey Blewett. Settled and lived on a farm in Jasper County, Texas, until 1877, when he moved to Beaumont, Texas, where he has resided since. He has been connected with the timber and lumber business, more or less, since 1871, and in 1889 organized the Sabine Tram Company, which is one of the largest and wealthiest lumber companies in Texas, and since its organization he has been its president and general manager.

Christopher C. Caswell was born in Decatur, Ga., in 1843; came to Texas when a boy five years of age in 1848. He first engaged successfully in the mercantile business, afterwards becoming interested in the lumber business with Geo. W. Smyth. In 1865 he married Miss Anna Elizabeth Kidd, a member of one of the most prominent pioneer families of Texas. Mr. Caswell died in 1883 in the prime of life, at which time he was looked upon as one of Beaumont's most successful and valuable citizens.

#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Beaumont has a flourishing Chamber of Commerce, composed of the most reputable business men whose mission is to build up the city on all lines of progress. It is doing a good work in attracting the investor, homeseeker and manufacturer. No city in Texas, perhaps, is better advertised than the City of Beaumont, and this comes from a well regulated propaganda of advertising done by this Trade organization. Its officers are as follows: S. G. Burnett, President; B. S. Woodhead First Vice President; Leon Sonfield, Second Vice President; J. C. Chaney, Third Vice President; B. R. Norvell, Treasurer; Alexander Helper, Secretary; S. G. Burnett, B. S. Woodhead, J. F. Weed, L. A. Bernard, W. P. Molette, Henry Keith, J. C. Chaney, J. L. Keith, Henry Roos, H. A. Perlstein, Leon Sonfield, board of directors.



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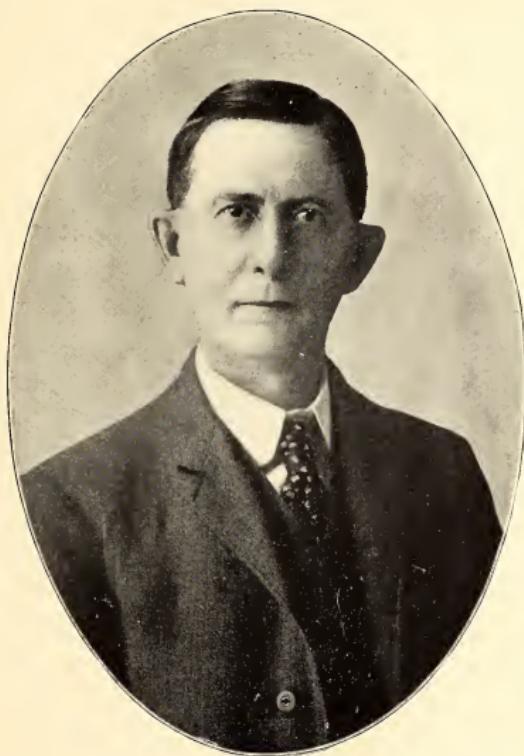
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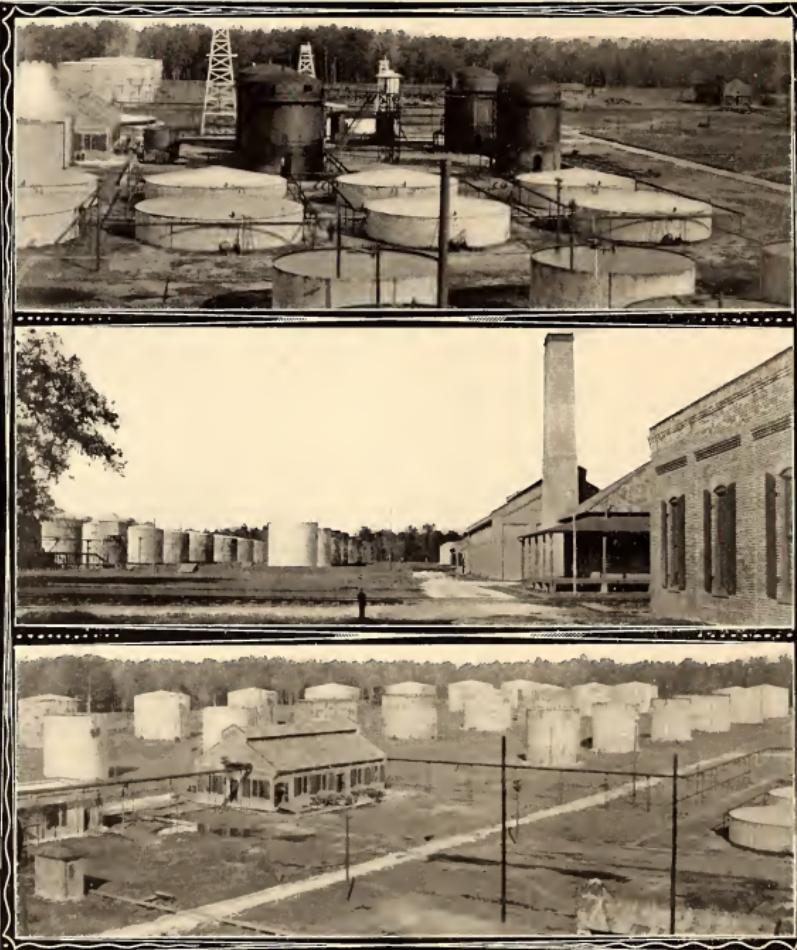
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VIEWS OF SECURITY OIL CO.'S PLANT

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2. AGITATORS AND RECEIVING TANKS
3. PUMPING HOUSE AND STORAGE TANKS

## THE OIL FIELDS.

It was known that there was petroleum oil in Southwest Texas for some time before the war.

It was in 1860 that the oil bearing properties of the Sour Lake district was discovered, and prospecting for its development was commenced, but the excitement of the civil war and the general stagnation subsequent to that period put it out of the mind of most men who had knowledge of the facts.

A little prospecting was done in 1866, but without results, and it was not until 1895 that efforts were successful, when the Savage Brothers, coming from West Virginia, secured leases and developed three wells at an average depth of about 275 feet, which produced perhaps fifty barrels of oil a day. They built a small refinery, which later burned, and after some effort to renew operations, during which a new refinery was built, the field was abandoned.

Other efforts to locate this East Texas oil strata were made with varying success, but it was not until the bringing in of the Lucas gusher at Spindle Top near Beaumont, that great success was achieved in oil operations.

The honor of discovering the Beaumont oil fields has been claimed by several operators. However, a native-born Texas boy, Patillo Higgins, having knowledge of previous oil discoveries in this section of the State, conceived the idea that there was oil in this vicinity, and with such machinery as was used in the sinking of the ordinary water well, he began operations about 1893, and for eight years, through varying fortunes he persevered until at last fortune favored him. Having convinced capital that he was on the right track, the services of Captain A. L. Lucas, a mining engineer of Washington, D. C., were secured, and a competent rig was secured which was used for two years, three wells of an average depth of about a thousand feet being put down and abandoned. The fourth well developed into what has gone into history as the Lucas gusher. This well was sunk to a depth of 1130 feet, and came in as a full fledged gusher the 10th of January, 1901, sending the oil 225 feet into the air and carrying with it 12,000 pounds of 4-inch drilling pipe, and badly damaging the derrick and drilling machinery. Such a well had not been anticipated, and no arrangements had been made to care for it or to stop the flow, and for nine days the well run wild before it could be shut off. It is estimated that it flowed 75,000 barrels per day and in size and capacity has only been surpassed by the big well brought in in the Russian field.

The news was sent forth to the world and before the well had come under control, men were in the field from all sections of the country. They came from all directions and were of all conceivable conditions, from the tramp to the millinaire, coming afoot and in private cars. Only the gold finds of California could rival the excitement, and even this was surpassed by the superiority of transportation facilities, which brought them much faster than it was possible to travel in those days.

From January 10, 1901, to May 10, 1902, there were 379 wells put down on Spindle Top. Little discretion seems to have been used, as the situation is viewed calmly today. A vast store of gas was wasted that would have created great wealth if properly conserved. Vast stores of oil were wasted, because men would put every dollar they had into an oil well and when it came in had no storage tanks in readiness to care for it. It is now estimated that fully 1,000,000 barrels of oil were thus wasted. It was over a year after Lucas brought in the first gusher before the first earthen tank was built.

In the eleven months following the discovery of oil the production was 4,500,000 barrels on Spindle Top. There had been invested in wells \$2,250,000, while tankage and pipe lines had run this amount up to \$4,500,000.

In 1902 Spindle Top produced 17,420,949 barrels of petroleum.

In 1904 the production was 3,443,842 barrels.

For the month of June, 1905, Spindle Top's daily output was 4,600 barrels.

According to data recently compiled by the Oil Investors' Journal of Beaumont, based upon actual records and conservative estimates, it has cost some \$56,600,000 to establish and maintain the oil industry of the Gulf Coast region. In round figures the various items are stated by the Journal as follows: 3,500 wells at \$4,000 each, \$14,000,000; 800 miles of main line pipe at \$5,000 a mile, including all adjuncts, \$4,000,000; 30,000,000 barrels of open and covered ground storage at 7 cents a barrel, \$2,000,000; 12,000,000 barrels steel storage at 23 cents a barrel, \$2,600,000; 2,500 tank cars at \$1,200 each, \$3,000,000; five refineries with a daily capacity of 30,000 barrels of crude, \$8,000,000; miscellaneous investments, field equipment, wooden settling tanks, air compressors, etc., \$3,000,000; land investment, \$5,000,000; total, \$41,600,000. The labor expense in the six years from 1900 to 1906, inclusive, has been not less than \$15,000,000, bringing the total expenditure up to \$56,600,000, or at a rate of nearly \$10,000,000 a year.

The amount paid out for salaries during the last year by companies and operators having their headquarters in Beaumont, was not less than two million and a half dollars.

No one will deny in the face of these figures that the development of the oil industry has been a large factor in the upbuilding and maintenance of conditions in Beaumont.

The total production of the Beaumont oil field to January 1 of the present year is as follows:

#### Spindle Top.

1901	5,185,883
1902	17,852,308
1903	8,600,905
1904	3,433,842
1905	1,652,780
1906	1,075,755
<b>Total.</b>	<b>37,801,473</b>

#### Sour Lake.

1902	44,838
1903	8,848,159
1904	6,442,357
1905	3,362,153
1906	2,143,723
<b>Total.</b>	<b>20,841,230</b>

#### Saratoga.

1904	739,239
1905	3,125,028
1906	2,170,153
<b>Total.</b>	<b>6,034,420</b>

#### Batson.

1903	4,518
1904	10,904,737
1905	3,774,841
1906	2,388,288
<b>Total.</b>	<b>17,072,384</b>

Grand total for the Beaumont field.. 81,749,507

The grand total of what is known as the Southeast Texas field, which includes the above, together with Humble, Dayton and minor districts, to January 1 of the present year, was 101,366,824 barrels, while the production this year to October 1, was 12,611,80 barrels, making an output approximately to date of 113,978,624 barrels of 42 gallons.

During the present year the daily average of the Southeast Texas field in barrels has been:

January.....	42,21
February.....	46,675
March.....	47,145
April.....	48,520
May.....	43,590
June.....	44,606
July.....	44,964
August.....	47,977
September.....	50,266

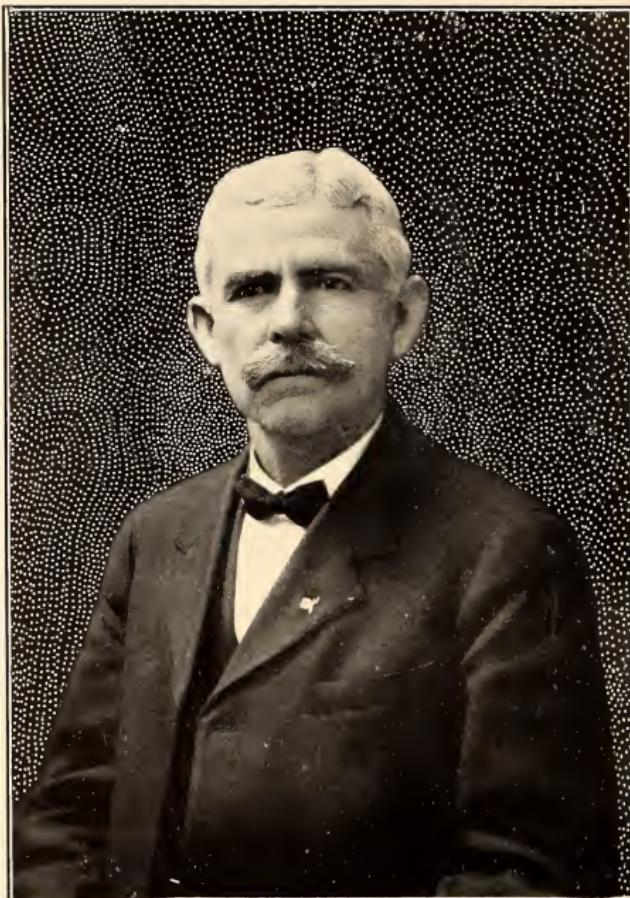
The gross production of all Texas oil fields for ten years from 1897 (the actual quantity produced and sold), has been 118,028,138 barrels, valued at \$47,052,446, of which the Beaumont field has produced fully two-thirds.

In consideration of the facts herein contained, it may be seen that much of Beaumont's present and past prosperity has come from the field of oil, and its future will be largely influenced by the continued operation and development of the oil business. The attitude of legislators toward the oil business of the State is of vital interest here and every effort to hamper or curtail the transaction of that business is immediately felt.

The large refineries in and contiguous to Beaumont are a great resource to the city. The Security Oil Company and the United Oil & Refining Company have plants close to the city. The Security Company's plant, which is one of the best equipped plants of its kind in the United States, lies almost in the city limits. Farther away from Beaumont are the refineries of the Texas Company and the Gulf Refining Company. The J. M. Guffy Petroleum Company, whose plant is located near Port Arthur, with offices in Beaumont, is one of the largest concerns in the world.

Some idea of the aggregate benefits Beaumont derives from these companies may be gained by the following information concerning the operation of the plant of the Security Oil Company. This company has over 400 employees on its pay roll; pays annually over \$300,000 for labor; has paid all told for labor since its operations began, about \$1,684,000; pays over \$22,000 annually in State and county taxes; purchases about \$9,000 worth of oil per day, or \$3,467,500 worth per annum, and purchases other supplies at the rate of about \$20,000 per month.

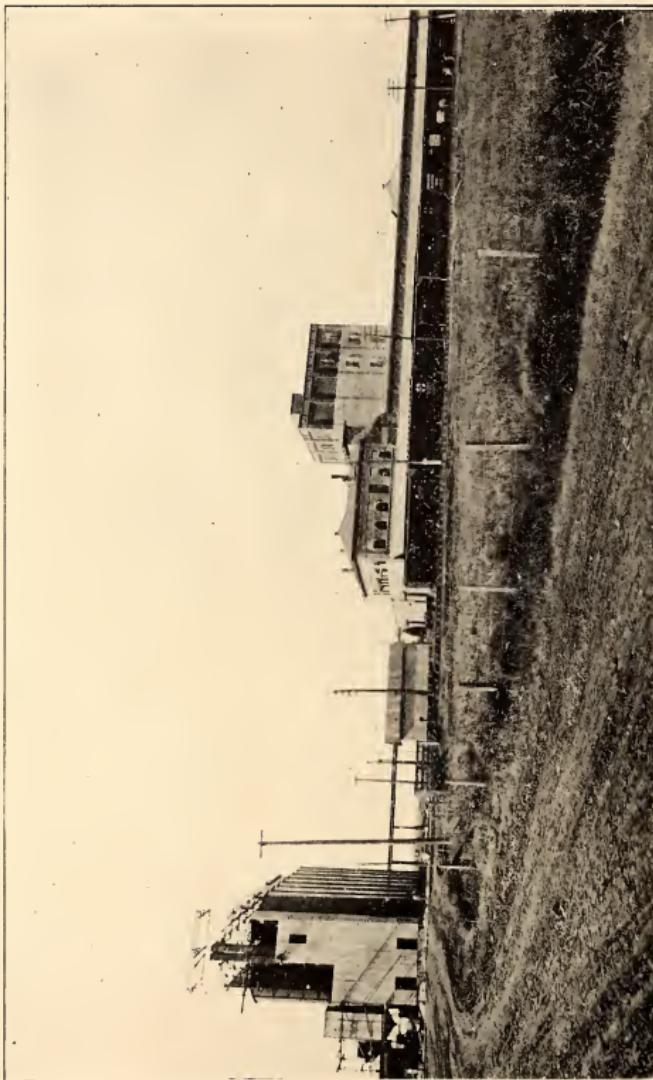
Among the oil operators that we have had the pleasure to meet and standing preeminent are among the foremost financiers and able and progressive citizens, may be named: Oliver C. Edwards, vice president and general manager of the Security Oil Company; Charles H. Markham, general manager J. M. Guffy Petroleum Company; Edgar J. Pew, of the Sun Pipe Line Company, and Mr. Charles L. Wallis, vice president and general manager Higgins Oil and Fuel Company and Mr. J. S. McNamara, General Manager of the United Oil & Refining Company.



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VICE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER HIGGINS OIL AND FUEL CO.



JOHN S. MACNAMARA  
VICE PRESIDENT AND MANAGER UNITED OIL AND REFINING CO.



MCFADDIN-WIESS-KYLE RICE MILL

## RICE INDUSTRY.

Less than a decade ago, the level open prairie lands contiguous to Beaumont were considered almost valueless except for pasture purposes, but most unexpectedly it was ascertained that these lands were really the best rice lands in the United States. The topographical conditions were found to be ideal and the soil proved to be prolific. The extent of these rice lands covers a large area, beginning in Louisiana and extending westward into Texas with Beaumont as the center and the natural market outlet by virtue of its commanding geographical situation, both water and rail transportation being accessible and with low freight rates.

Rice cultivation forms the greater part of agricultural activity in Jefferson county at present and the product no inconsiderable part in Beaumont's commercial importance. The city is surrounded by rich rice lands and here can



RICE FIELD

be found three of the largest rice mills on the American Continent. These mills often run night and day during the busy season. The mills pay the farmer cash for the rice, the old toll mill system having served its purpose during the infancy of the industry and been relegated to the past. The future of the rice business is bright and promising, the annual consumption having increased from four pounds a decade ago to seven pounds at the present time, which indicates that in a few years it may be difficult to supply the demand, as even at present some rice is imported from Eastern countries. The American people are at least recognizing rice as one of the most healthful foods known. A Chinaman or Japanese never suffers from stomach trouble, the bete noir of the average

American, simply for the reason that meat furnishes but little of any of his daily food, rice taking its place. The increase of acreage devoted to the rice culture has been phenomenal. In less than ten years 237,000 acres of virgin soil has been broken, hundreds of miles of main canals have been excavated, millions of capital invested, towns and cities have sprung up, with all the accessories modern civilization demands. The Northern and Western farmer who casts his lot in the southland will find no great difference in the preparation of rice land to what he has been accustomed in his old home. The plows, harrows and drills are practically the same, the threshing machinery differs but little, some slight modifications to suit new conditions. He is not accustomed to irrigation, but can readily acquire the necessary information on this subject. Rice is planted between the 15th of March and the middle of June, April and May being the usual time and yielding the best crops. After planting, little remains to be done until harvest. The value of this year's crop in Jefferson County, practically all of which is milled at Beaumont is about \$2,000,000.

The cost of seed, planting, harvesting and water rent, under normal condi-



RICE CANAL

tions, is estimated at \$1347 per 100 acres, making the total cost of cultivation of the county's rice acreage \$873,550, leaving as a profit to the rice farmers of the county of \$881,450.

There are in Jefferson county about 200 miles of river irrigating canals, owned and managed by eighteen different companies. The capacity of irrigation of these companies vary from an acreage capacity of 30,000 to 1,000.

The total investment in the three rice mills located in Beaumont aggregate \$400,000, while the total investment in canals, pumping stations, mills etc. used in the rice industry in the county is conservatively estimated at \$4,000,000. The capacity of the Beaumont mills is 400,000 barrels per season, or about 4,000 barrels per day.

We present in this edition a photo engraving of the plant of the McFaddin, Wiess, Kyle Rice Milling Company. The plant of this company is equipped with the very latest patented rice milling machinery, making it in all details one of the most complete plants in the world.

Jefferson County raises one-eighth of the entire rice crop of the United States. No better proof of the fertility and adaptability of the soil, methods of cultivation nor the profitableness of the industry could be presented.

The rice crop of Jefferson county in 1906 amounted to 550,000 barrels, which sold for \$1,800,000 cash to the mills. The acreage for 1907 was approximately 62,000, with an approximate yield of 600,000 barrels, which commanded a better average price than did the crop of 1906. Last year was not up to the average in yield or price obtained for five years past, and yet the net profits per acre to the grower varied from \$10 to \$25 or more, according to whether he was a renter, hired his help or farmed land irrigated with his own water supply. The acreage this year will be as much, if not more, than last year.

Ten barrels of 180 pounds is a safe estimate of average production, although by employing improved methods of seeding, cultivation and fertilizing, the practical demonstrations of government experts—and crops of the best farmers—shows that the yeild may readily be increased to 15 and even 20 sacks per acre. More than half the excess yield is found to be clear profit and the land is left in superior condition for the next season's crop.

The total cost of raising and marketing the rice crop of this country is found to be—average of five years, including the expense of preparing the land, not exceeding \$15 per acre each crop. One man's labor will care for 100 acres.

A low average price—period of five years past—is \$3 per sack, of \$30 per acre minimum. Whether the grower nets \$15 or up to \$30 per acre depends upon the grower himself, and whether he has a sound business mind and uses it. If he grows an extra quality he is more apt to get \$3.50 per sack, in any season, than a lower price. If he crops scientifically he is more apt to raise 15 sacks than his careless neighbor is to harvest 10.

Good rice lands can be had from \$20 to \$50 per acre. The rice fields tributary to Beaumont offer the greatest inducements in the world to both the capitalist and the man of moderate means. To the capitalist the investment is safe and profitable and to the tenant the same. In fact an intelligent, industrious farmer can make more money on a rice farm in the Beaumont country than if he were a land owner in the North.

Rice is sown and harvested very much as is wheat, the only difference being the irrigation of the rice lands. It is easier to cultivate than cotton or corn and is almost a sure crop, no absolute failures by reason of drouth or insects having been yet recorded as in the case of other crops.

The rice grown in Texas is shipped to Cuba, Porto Rico, the Sandwich Islands, Europe and to different points in the United States.

By-products from rice are valuable. There is rice bran, rice polish and the straw, all of which are used as feed for stock and bring the very highest price on the market and with increasing demand.

The magnitude of the rice production of Jefferson County and the growing importance of this industry necessitated the organization of an association for the purpose of securing general cooperation among the farmers, and to study and promote better farming conditions as well as to secure reliable statistics as to acreage and yield, which culminated in the organization of the Jefferson County Rice Farmers Association in November, 1906. At the monthly meetings of the association subjects of vital importance are discussed, such as the best character of fertilizers and methods of cultivation, the kinds of seeds and methods of irrigation. This is the strongest independent organization of rice farmers in the United States, every important rice farmer of the county being an active and enthusiastic member. Among the many benefits derived from the association one in particular is the advertising for and securing the proper kind of labor. The officers of the association are as follows: J. C. Chaney, President; Ben Irby, Vice President; Burt Hoopes, Secretary and Treasurer.



W. P. H. McFADDIN  
CAPITALIST  
PRESIDENT MCFADDIN-WIESS-KYLE RICE MILLING CO.  
VICE PRESIDENT FIRST NATIONAL BANK



W. B. DUNLAP  
PRESIDENT SAN JACINTO RICE CO.  
AND VICE PRESIDENT GULF NATIONAL BANK



JOHN C. CHANEY  
PRESIDENT JEFFERSON COUNTY RICE GROWERS' ASSOCIATION  
AND AN EXTENSIVE RICE GROWER

## PUBLIC UTILITIES.

In the matter of public utilities Beaumont is in the van. Everything has been projected on a large scale, anticipating the future growth of the city.

The waterworks furnish water of unrivaled purity and in great quantity, in fact, its capacity would amply supply a city of 100,000.

The electric-light plant is excellently equipped and has never yet been called upon for its full capacity.

Its ice and refrigerating plant is among the largest in the south.

These plants are owned by the Beaumont Ice, Light & Refrigerating Co. The Company employs from 65 to 100 people, with an annual pay roll of over sixty thousand dollars. The electric light plant is equipped with engines of 2,300 horse power. The ice plants have a daily capacity of 210 tons. In addition to home consumption they ship to outside trade about 12,000 tons (800 cars) annually with a value of \$36,800.00.

Its gas plant is entirely new, the original plant having been completely destroyed by fire less than a year ago; it is of great capacity and the mains practically embrace the city, covering about twenty miles, gas being a favorite fuel for cooking and household purposes.

Its street car system is well designed to cover every portion of the city and make any point easily accessible, the various lines embrace fifteen miles of track.

Its sewerage system is well designed and of ample capacity, with eighteen miles of completed sewer, and work progressing on an additional section that will considerably increase this total.

The fire department is composed of seven companies or crews of paid firemen, with two fire stations at present, and authority by vote of the city for the erection of two additional stations. It is equipped with the Gamewell fire alarm system and the latest fire fighting apparatus, including two engines, two ladder trucks and five combination hose-wagons.

There are fifteen miles of brick and shell paved streets connecting with thirty miles of shell road, while preliminary work is now under way for the building of one hundred additional miles of shell roads in the county. There are about twenty miles of cement sidewalks laid, and under a recently adopted policy of the city, this is being rapidly augmented.

Beaumont may be reached by eleven lines of railroad, having thirty-six passenger trains daily. It is abundantly supplied with splendid hotels of which the "Crosby" is one of the finest equipped in the State, the Field Hotel is a magnificent place and up to date in every respect, in short Beaumont has some half dozen splendid hotels and restaurants.

## IRON INDUSTRY.

The demand for machinery of all kinds in the lumber mills and the oil districts has given rise to a well developed iron industry which is constantly growing causing the enlargement and further development of the plants.

The output consists of logging cars, railroad cars, saw mill and oil well machinery, pumps for rice irrigation, etc. Some of the largest castings ever turned out in the State have been made here.

The existence of iron of exceedingly high grade and in immense quantities in the country north of Beaumont, together with the city's location relative to both rail and water transportation has further tended to center the iron industries here and it is one of the aspirations of Beaumont's people to become an iron manufacturing town, and to that end every effort is being made to hasten the project of deep water transportation and the intercostal barge canal.

There are at present six corporate companies engaged in the production of iron work, with a total capitalization of \$152,000.

The Beaumont Iron Works and the Neches Iron Works are two of the largest institutions of their kind in the state, employing hundreds of workmen and with an annual payroll of many thousands of dollars.



THE BEAUMONT ICE, LIGHT AND REFRIGERATING CO'S. PLANTS

1. ELECTRIC LIGHT STATION

2. ICE PLANT

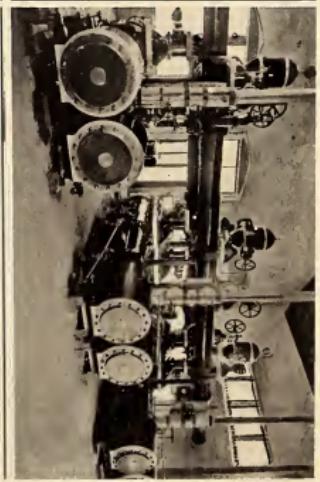
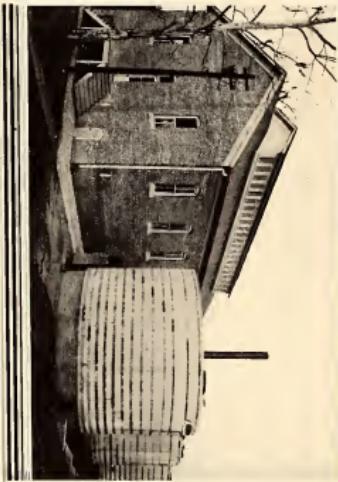
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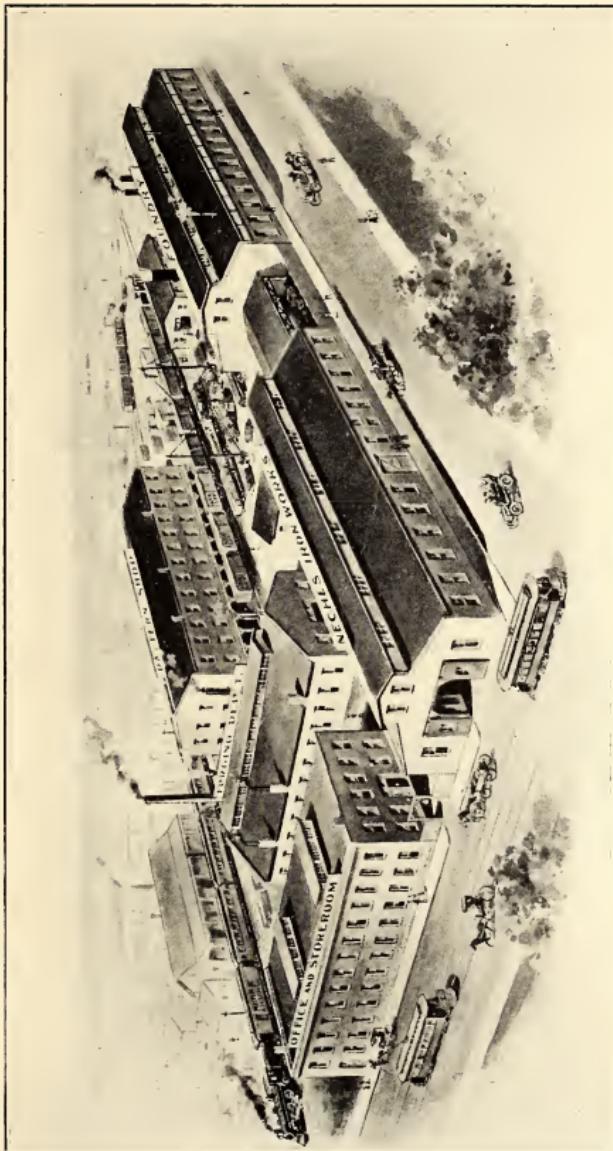


OFFICES BEAUMONT ICE, LIGHT AND REFRIGERATING CO.

BEAUMONT WATER WORKS COMPANY

1. PUMPING STATION
2. INTERIOR VIEW PUMPING STATION
3. FILTER HOUSE
4. INTERIOR VIEW FILTER HOUSE





NECHES IRON WORKS



JEFFERSON COUNTY COURT HOUSE



BEAUMONT PERMANENT ITALIAN BAND



BEAUMONT SANITARIUM  
(Baptist Hospital)



THE MASONIC HALL  
Solidly Constructed of Brick and Finely Equipped  
One of the Handsomest Masonic Buildings in Eastern Texas



KYLE THEATRE AND OFFICE BUILDING  
W. W. KYLE, OWNER



THE KEITH BUILDING  
OWNED BY J. FRANK KEITH  
PRESIDENT OF THE PARK BANK AND TRUST CO.



V. WIESS OFFICE BUILDING  
ONE OF BEAUMONT'S HANDSOMEST OFFICE BUILDINGS  
OWNED BY V. WIESS



THE GILBERT BUILDING  
ONE OF BEAUMONT'S MODERN OFFICE BUILDINGS  
OWNED BY JOHN N. GILBERT



JUNKER BUILDING  
(GUY W. JUNKER, OWNER)



THE ALAMO BLOCK



HOTEL FIELD AND CAFE



THE T. S. REED GROCERY COMPANY'S BUILDING

One of the Largest and Most Complete Buildings in Texas  
Devoted Exclusively to the Wholesale Grocery Business. Absolutely Fire Proof.



PARTIAL VIEW STEDMAN FRUIT CO. AND BEAUMONT COLD STORAGE CO'S. PLANTS

One of the Largest and Best Equipped Cold Storage Plants in Texas.

## VALUES OF BEAUMONT AND JEFFERSON COUNTY.

The prosperity of Beaumont and Jefferson county is not based on money derived from foreign capital, is manifested in a casual glance over the tax rolls of the assessor.

The number of foreign concerns and non-residents paying taxes in Jefferson county are comparatively small to the large number of resident taxpayers who are interested in enterprises in this city and county. The stock of almost every manufacturing concern in this city is either owned or controlled by Jefferson county capital. It is, too, evidenced that if the foreign corporations who are operating here wished to sell out, there is ample capital in this county to buy up the stock and have plenty of money with which to operate the concerns.

The total taxable valuation of Jefferson county is \$27,577,090.00, which compares favorably with the counties which claim to be the wealthiest in the state.

Of the total assessed valuation of Jefferson county property, \$18,288,020.00 is property of residents and \$3,349,950.00 non-residents.

A complete list of non-resident taxpayers who have property in Jefferson county assessed over \$50,000.00 is as follows:

M. C. Alexander.....	\$ 75,000.00
Houston Oil Company.....	76,250.00
Kirby Lumber Company.....	315,780.00
Port Arthur Townsite Company.....	304,950.00
Port Arthur Land Company.....	146,230.00
Port Arthur Canal & Dock Company.....	200,000.00
Sabine Land & Improvement Company.....	67,410.00
James Sykes.....	60,200.00

## RAILROAD PROPERTY.

Texas & New Orleans R. R.....	144,010.00
Gulf & Interstate R. R. of Texas.....	72,100.00
Texarkana & Fort Smith Railroad.....	519,600.00
Texas & New Orleans Railroad.....	1,890,850.00
Beaumont, Sour Lake & Western R. R.....	84,160.00
Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railroad.....	158,260.00
Beaumont Traction Company.....	157,000.00

The following is a list of the resident concerns and individuals that pay taxes at over \$50,000.00:

Atlantic Rice Mills.....	\$ 61,300.00
W. C. Averill.....	145,200.00
American Oil & Refining Company.....	52,600.00
V. Blanchette.....	50,000.00
Beaumont Ice, Light & Refrigerating Co.....	248,400.00
Beaumont Waterworks.....	158,400.00
Beaumont Irrigation Company.....	179,200.00
J. E. Broussard.....	63,300.00
Jeff Chaison Townsite Company.....	114,800.00
C. C. Caswell Estate.....	108,500.00
Mrs. Ella Call.....	49,000.00
B. Deutser.....	53,100.00
Clyde Fletcher.....	77,100.00
Gladys Oil, Gas & Manufacturing Company.....	52,800.00
O. B. Greeves.....	59,100.00
John B. Goodhue Estate.....	150,600.00
Gulf Refining Company.....	1,089,900.00
L. J. Hebert.....	140,900.00
Hebert & Broussard.....	61,900.00

J. M. Hebert.....	88,000.00
Heisig & Norvell.....	71,900.00
C. T. Heisig.....	62,800.00
Heywood Oil Company.....	57,200.00
Higgins Oil & Fuel Company.....	174,000.00
Keith Lumber Company.....	99,900.00
J. F. Keith.....	113,400.00
Mrs. H. V. Keith.....	84,200.00
W. W. Kyle.....	150,400.00
Thos. H. Langham.....	119,800.00
Leon R. Levy.....	59,300.00
McFaddin-Weiss-Kyle Rice Mill Company.....	116,400.00
W. P. H. McFaddin.....	219,800.00
Mrs. T. S. Long.....	135,000.00
McFaddin, Weiss, Kyle Land Company.....	175,100.00
Neches Canal Company.....	153,200.00
Nona Mills Company.....	93,500.00
L. P. Ogden Estate.....	116,100.00
H. A. Perlstein.....	60,700.00
H. A. Phillips.....	83,200.00
Port Arthur Water Company.....	100,300.00
Port Arthur Rice Milling Company.....	78,600.00
Port Arthur Rice & Irrigation Company.....	85,000.00
Security Oil Company.....	925,300.00
Sun Pipe Line Co.....	94,700.00
Sun Company.....	591,600.00
T. S. Reed Grocery Company.....	76,200.00
Southern Car Manufacturing & Supply Co.....	50,000.00
Texas Company.....	114,800.00
W. C. Tyrrell.....	109,700.00
United Oil & Refining Company.....	51,600.00
S. H. Van Wormer.....	53,100.00
Wm. Wiess.....	170,300.00
V. Wiess.....	198,300.00
E. L. Wilson Hardware Company.....	155,900.00



HOTEL DIEU (HOSPITAL)

**BELL AUSTIN INSTITUTE.****A HIGH CLASS MODERN PRIVATE SCHOOL.**

Among the educational factors of the city is the Bell Austin Institute, which occupies an enviable place. Its high standard of scholarship easily places it in the front rank of the leading schools of its kind.

The institution was founded in 1902 and hence has a history of only five years to its credit, but these have been years of prosperity. Each session has been characterized by the addition of new features until now it is an institution affording superior educational advantages in all departments. From the beginning its work as a high grade institution has secured a measure of appreciation and hence it enjoys a liberal patronage of representative citizens of the city and Beaumont.

**CURRICULUM.**

The literary curriculum includes fully graded courses of study for the primary and intermediate departments, a high school course which fits girls and boys for college, and a seminary course corresponding to the leading female schools in the country. All are arranged with the utmost care to meet the demands of the times in the most thorough manner. The course for each grade of work is comprehensive and up to the highest standard of modern educational thought. The class room, too, accords with the latest methods and has gained for the school a wide reputation for thoroughness and efficiency.

**DEPARTMENTS.**

Departments of modern languages, music, expression and physical culture are maintained and afford superior advantages in these lines. Music is taught in accordance with the most approved conservatory methods. Expression, by graduates of the leading schools of oratory; and modern languages, by teachers of European training. Opportunities are offered for taking elective courses under specialists in any of the various departments.

**THE FACULTY.**

The faculty maintained by this institution could scarcely have a superior. The entire staff consists of teachers of the highest academic and professional training, each being a specialist in her department.

Miss Bell Austin, the founder and principal of the institution, holds an enviable place in social and literary circles and her reputation as an educator extends throughout several states, she having held a number of prominent positions before beginning her work in Beaumont.

**HOSPITALS OF THE CITY**

The two hospitals of the city are of high rank and are under church direction, the Baptist Sanitarium being under the control of the Southeast Texas Baptist Association, and the Hotel Dieu under the direction of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word of the Roman Catholic Church.

To these hospitals come patients from a wide territory, embracing several hundred square miles, and the benefits they confer upon those engaged in the arduous and dangerous labors of the lumber camp and railroad are untold.

The Beaumont Public Library, which is housed in the Y. M. C. A. building, comprises several hundred volumes of well-selected reference books and classic and current literature, which are widely circulated.

## BEAUMONT Y. M. C. A.

The Beaumont Young Men's Christian Association is one of the largest and most representative organizations in the city. Its building and equipment in all round fitness for association work is at present the best in the state. This building was erected in 1904 and formally opened of August 1st of that year. The building as it now stands has an all round equipment, including the modern arrangement of dormitories for young men. The upper floors of the building are fitted up with thirty rooms of this character, and these are occupied by forty-five or fifty of the members who find the building in this way the best bachelor apartments in the city. These rooms have special baths, shower and tub, and are furnished comfortably and with such taste as would suit a young bachelor.

On the second of the dormitory floors is the parlor, dining room, kitchen and reception hall, and these do duty for committee meetings, social affairs, night school, bible class, and many other functions. One of the features that is enjoyed greatly by the members is the lyceum course, which brings to the city the finest talent obtainable from the various bureaus and turns over ten splendid attractions each year to its members and their friends at a mere nominal sum for season tickets. This is conducted in the auditorium, which has a seating capacity of 800. In this auditorium is also held the men's Sunday rally, which is a feature of the Y. M. C. A. work. The auditorium too has done service for hundreds of public meetings, and is used also in some cases for a public entertainment hall on special grant from the board of directors.

At the rear of the auditorium is a lecture room used for the night school. Here the earnest young man may put in his evenings studying arithmetic, grammar, penmanship, bookkeeping, mechanical drawing, shorthand, typewriting, and many other useful branches. Last year the enrollment in the night school ran near a hundred. On the main floor of the building is located the offices of the Y. M. C. A. Association. Here much of the business of the organization is transacted and here hundreds of young men, strangers in the city, have been given reliable direction and help and in some cases secured positions for permanent employment in business and clerical lines.

On the reading room tables are kept more than sixty periodicals and magazines, and the prominent newspapers are on file. Strangers in the city who are not members are made at home on this floor and given the privileges of membership.

One of the most practical departments of the Y. M. C. A. work is that of the physical department. The rooms for this consist of the gymnasium, bowling alley, tumbling and wrestling room, swimming pool, bath and locker department. These rooms attract a very large proportion of the membership of the association and are equipped in splendid shape for work.

The religious work of the association is conducted on a broad interdenominational basis and the bible study work is one of the features. Classes are organized and carried forward through graded courses suited to the needs of the individual and a proper diploma is issued those who pass the international examination. The work of the organization is such as commends itself to the attention of all good citizens and it has the support of a larger class of people than any other local institutions. The membership now numbers 875 and in this number are included most of the influential men of the city as well as those in the lower stations of life. All self respecting men are welcome.

The board of directors is composed of representative men of the city, numbering in its roster several in the highest standing in finance, commerce, industries and the professions. Its officers are:

Geo. W. Carroll, president; F. D. Minor, vice president; E. V. Hayden, recording secretary; Thos. Reed, Jr., treasurer; S. J. Brient, general secretary; A. S. Thompson, physical director; B. L. Knight, membership secretary; R. P. Anderson, office secretary.

HUNTING SCENES IN THE "BIG THICKET" NEAR BEAUMONT





J. M. BEATY  
SHOWING THE RESULTS OF A FEW HOURS DUCK HUNT



W. B. STEWART

RESULT OF A SIX HOUR FOX CHASE NEAR BEAUMONT  
MADGE, DEVIL, MARK, KATE, FRANK, ELI

THOS. VAN AUKEN

## EARLY HISTORY OF BEAUMONT.

In presenting the varied resources of Beaumont and Jefferson County, its material progress, its commercial supremacy, its present prosperity and future possibilities, it is well to remember the men who gave to us this glorious country with its many blessings. Through their fortitude, patriotism and industry they laid the foundation for the greatest commonwealth of the greatest nation on earth.

No country offers a richer field for the historian and biographer than Jefferson County, and were it the purpose of the authors of this book to write the history of a country they could not think of any greater honor or more important work than that of perpetuating the lives and achievements of those noble pioneers who carved out an empire and left it as a glorious heritage to us and to our children's children. We are indebted to Col. Tom J. Russell, a prominent attorney of the Beaumont Bar, for much of the historical data contained in this article.

In writing the early history of Beaumont and Jefferson County there are some early events that are unavailable to the present day historian. The name of the first white man who visited this county is unknown, as well as the date of such visit. But the old tradition is that in the early days people used to pass this way on the way from Louisiana to Texas. There was a crossing of the Sabine River at Niblets Bluff, and at a place lower down known as Le Douxs Ferry; and the crossing of the Neches was below the city at the mouth of Beard's Bayou, then called Santa Anna. James McFaddin entered Texas this way in 1820, and settled in Liberty County on the east bank of the Trinity River. Taylor White settled south of there about the same time. So far as known these were the first men who visited this county. The first actual settlement made in the county was by Noah Tevis in the year 1832. The exact date is unknown. He built a house below, or rather at the big bend, just below where the big ditch is now, and located his Headright league here. He had a large family, whose descendants are here still.

James McFaddin moved here from the Trinity in March, 1833, and settled north of Tevis, but near him. McFaddin died here about 1845, leaving a large family of descendants, many of whom reside in the county.

William McFaddin, a photo engraving of whom we present in this volume, settled in Texas in 1823. He served with distinction in the war between the Texas Republic and Mexico, participating in the famous battle at San Jacinto in 1836. William McFaddin was a large property owner and prosperous cattleman. He died in 1898. His son, William Perry H. McFaddin, lives in Beaumont and is one of the most active and successful business men of Jefferson County. In commercial, industrial and financial circles he is a tower of strength. Besides his varied interests he is president of the McFaddin-Wiess-Kyle Rice Mills, one of the largest and best equipped rice mills in the United States. He is also one of the largest rice growers in the United States, and one of the largest property owners of Jefferson County.

There was a man named Gilbert Stephenson who came here in 1824, but did not settle in Beaumont. He was raised in East Louisiana and came across the country and arrived about two and a half miles east of Beaumont on the eve of Christmas of the aforesaid date, and camped there. He had his gun and dog. He subsequently settled there and located his headright league at same place, and built his residence within 300 yards of the spot on which he first camped. He died in 1878. In 1834 he married Mary Tevis, a daughter of Noah and Nancy Tevis. They left a numerous family, many of whom still live here and in Orange. About 1834 a lawyer named Fred W. Ogden settled in Beaumont, the first of his profession here. His sons, E. C. and Likens P. Ogden, have taken rank among the wealthiest and most prominent citizens of Beaumont. Likens P. Ogden died a few years past, beloved and honored by all who knew him. As a testimonial to his sterling qualities as a man and in recognition of the services

he rendered the public schools of Beaumont the trustees of the School Board named one of the handsome new school buildings the L. P. Ogden School in honor of his memory.

E. C. Ogden, who is, perhaps, the oldest living native citizen of Jefferson County, won fame as an Indian fighter in his young manhood. When hostilities were declared between the North and the South he espoused the cause of the South and served throughout the war with distinguished bravery. On his return to Beaumont after the war he was elected sheriff, being the first sheriff of Jefferson County after the war. All through the trying times of reconstruction he held the lawless element, both white and black, in check, giving to the citizens of Jefferson County a condition of law and order enjoyed by few communities in the South. The wise and courageous manner in which he performed the duties of his office won for him the admiration of all law abiding citizens which will ever redound to his credit and honor.

In 1834 Hezekiah Williams, Absalom Williams, Charles Williams (a son of Hezekiah), and several others located here and took up their headrights of land. Some of their descendants are still here. In the same year Levy Carr arrived with a family of fourteen children, many of whom still live here. He settled on Taylors Bayou, and at the same time Robert Burrell and David Burrill settled on the same bayou. Joseph P. Pulsifer came in 1834 and started Beaumont. In 1839 Simon Wiess, a Polish patriot, and his wife, Margaret Sturrock Wiess, located here. He was a noted traveller, distinguished scholar and an accomplished linguist. He started a mercantile business. His children are here yet—his sons, William, Mark and Valentine Wiess, representing the highest type of the successful business man and the ideal citizen. By superior business ability each has amassed a fortune, William and Valentine Wiess being among the very wealthiest men in the county.

Captain Wm. Wiess during his business career has been identified successfully with mercantile pursuits, the cattle business, lumber trade and also in financial circles. In the lumber trade he was particularly prominent, being one of the best known lumber manufacturers in the United States. Captain Wiess is an ardent Southerner and at the outbreaking of the war took up arms in defense of his native State, serving throughout the war. Captain Wiess is a philanthropist and his charities, while not heralded to the world, are broad and numerous. He takes a great interest in the moral upbuilding of the young men of Texas, and it was largely due to his efforts that the legislature passed the famous anti-pool room bill. This law has saved from moral destruction the lives of thousands of the young men of Texas and no greater honor could be bestowed upon any man than to say that he was instrumental in the passage of this law.

Col. Mark Wiess, the twin brother of Captain Wm. Wiess, was born in 1842 at Wiess's Bluff, a small village named after his father, Simon Wiess, in Jasper County, Texas. At the age of eighteen he enlisted in the Confederate army, serving in Speight's regiment, and has the distinction of being one of the riflemen on the Steamer Josiah H. Bell, that captured the U. S. Gunboat Morning Light of nine guns and 120 men, and the Schooner Velocity with forty men and two guns, off Sabine Pass January 31, 1863. After serving four years in the war with marked bravery and patriotism he came to Beaumont and engaged in the mercantile business with his brother, William Wiess. Selling out his interest to his brother he engaged in the lumber business with H. N. Potter in 1871. Later on, with his brothers, he became a member of the Reliance Lumber Company, which, at the time of its sale to the Kirby Lumber Company in 1900, was one of the largest concerns of its kind in Texas. No man ever lived in Beaumont who is more beloved than Col. Mark Wiess, the splendid man, the gallant soldier and ideal citizen.

Valentine Wiess was born in Wiess's Bluff, Jasper County, Texas, July 27, 1845. When the Civil War broke out, Mr. Wiess was a lad of sixteen years of age, but he enlisted in the Confederate army and served throughout the war. He was in Speight's Regiment and under General Magruder. When peace was declared, Mr. Wiess returned to Texas and engaged in the mercantile business

with his father at Wiess's Bluff. In 1872 he moved to Beaumont and opened a general merchandise store there, soon adding to it private banking and fire insurance. Mr. Wiess was successful from the beginning, and even in his early business career displayed great progressiveness. He has accumulated a large fortune and besides being one of the largest property owners he is interested in more commercial, industrial and financial institutions than any other business man in Beaumont. Mr. Wiess has taken an active interest in the upbuilding of nearly every leading industry in the city and the growth and prosperity of Beaumont is due in a large measure to his worthy example. He has always had faith in Beaumont's future and his fondest hopes are now being realized. As a progressive, successful business man, patriotic citizen and polished and cultured gentleman he has no superior in the broad State of Texas, and we know of no man whose character and life would be a finer example to the ambitious youths of our country than that of Valentine Wiess.

A historic character came here about that time, John Chaison, a native of France. He was one of the soldiers who came to the Colonies with General Lafayette in 1777 with an army to assist the American Colonists in the war of Independence. After the close of the war he came down to New Orleans, married and came here in his old age, and died at the age of 110 and is buried in the old Jirou graveyard. His descendants are here, to the fifth generation.

Henry Millard came in 1833 and bought land of Noah Tevis on which Beaumont now stands. He was a Colonel in the Texas army in 1836 and at the battle of San Jacinto held the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and commanded in the cavalry.

In 1834 Joseph Grigsby came here from Greene River, Ky. He had a large family. He located his league on the Neches River at the place now called Port Neches. The place was known till lately as Grigsby's Bluff. He was the wealthiest man then in the colony; had about fifty slaves and considerable ready money. Started a cotton farm and raised the first cotton in Jefferson County. He was elected to the congress of the Republic in 1836. Served, giving valuable services to his country, and was re-elected the second and third time. His son-in-law Hon. Geo. W. Smyth was one of the most distinguished citizens and patriots of Texas, a sketch of whom follows this article.

In 1834 John McGaffey located at Sabine Pass, the first settler there.

The town of Beaumont was first surveyed in 1839, and was organized as a town under a Charter passed by the Congress in 1840.

John J. French came here in 1834 and located his Headright on Taylor's Bayou, then known as Bayou las Flores. He lived to be 89 years old. His children are here yet.

Speaking of old age, this county had for many years the oldest man in Texas Robert Kidd who was born in the year 1774, in North Carolina, moved to Texas in 1845 and died here at the age of 116, and over. He remembered in 1781 of seeing the army of Lord Cornwallis on its march to defeat at Yorktown, Va. He could recount the incident up to the last. His children and grandchildren live in Beaumont. Geo. W. Kidd, one of his sons, is one of the most highly respected citizens of Jefferson County. He is not only identified with many of the prominent business enterprises of Beaumont, but is an extensive farmer and stock raiser. F. M. Kidd, his brother, is a very successful farmer and stockman, the brothers being interested together. Mrs. C. C. Caswell and Mrs. N. H. Cook are the daughters. Mrs. Caswell is the widow of Christopher C. Caswell, who was one of Beaumont's most successful business men.

Michel Pevito located here in 1835. He was a Creole from New Orleans and was in Gen. Jackson's army at the battle of New Orleans January 15, 1815. The James McFaddin named above as the second family here was a sergeant in a Tennessee regiment at same the battle of New Orleans.

The town of Beaumont was surveyed in 1839, and was named in honor of the wife of Col. Henry Millard, one of the proprietors of the town.

## GEORGE W. SMYTH.

George W. Smyth, Sr., was born in North Carolina May 16, 1803, and moved with his father's family to North Alabama, near Moulton, Ala., when a boy. He finished his education at Murfreesboro, Tenn., and came to Texas in 1827 or 1828, stopping in what was then the Municipality of Bevell, Zavalas colony, now Jasper county. He was married to Miss Frances M. Grigsby, whose father and family came to Texas from Kentucky, and settled in the same community.

He was appointed by the Mexican Government as a surveyor, and was afterwards appointed by the same authority "A Commissioner of Titles," to issue titles to colonists that came to Mexico, and were entitled to land grants. Was elected as a delegate to the convention from the municipality of Bevell, that declared Texas an Independent Republic, and was one of the signers of the Texas Declaration of Independence. He returned home and was on his way to join the Texas army, and was near the scene of action but had not quite reached the army, when the battle of San Jacinto was fought.

He was appointed by President Mirabeau B. Lamar, in 1839, as the Texas commissioner to run the boundary line between the Republic of Texas and the United States, from the mouth of the Sabine River to where the 32nd degree of latitude crossed said river, and thence due north to the Red river, General Overton, of the United States army, being the United States commissioner. By this survey there was saved to the Republic of Texas, since the state of Texas a strip of land about six miles wide by 103 miles long, the United States having already had the land surveyed and sectionalized. The letter from President Mirabeau B. Lamar asking him to accept the position of Commissioner, and his commission, are now in the possession of his son, George W. Smyth, of Beaumont, Texas. He was next elected as commissioner of the general land office, of the State of Texas in 1848, he being second commissioner of the general land office of the state of Texas.

In 1852 or 1854 he was elected from the First Congressional district of Texas, which then included all, or about all of the counties now known as East Texas, to the congress of the United States. He served two years in congress and declined to stand for re-election.

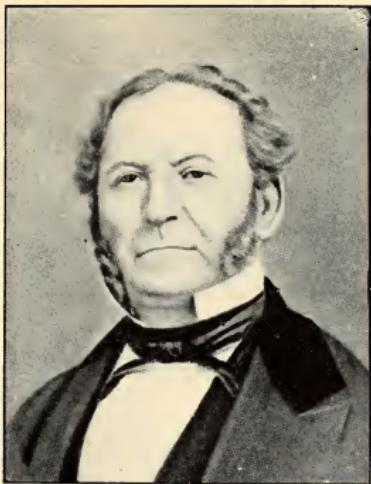
In 1856 or 1858 he ran for comptroller of the state of Texas, and was defeated by a small majority by C. R. John, Sr. One of the issues of the campaign was the passage of a law in Texas authorizing the African slave trade; that is, to pass a law authorizing the importation of native Africans from Africa and sell them as slaves. He was opposed to the passage of such a law.

When the question of secession was agitated in Texas he was opposed to it, and made speeches, wrote and voted against it, being one of those who believed the place to get our rights was in the Union; but, after the state of Texas seceded from the Union, he considered his allegiance to the State of Texas greater than to the United States and cast his lot with Texas. He advised his sons and son-in-law to join the Confederate army, which they all did.

At the close of the Civil war a convention was called to meet in Austin, Texas, to amend the constitution of the state of Texas, so as to conform to the requirements of the constitution of the United States, as a requisite to getting back into the Union. He was again called upon by his old friends and fellow citizens to represent them in the convention called to meet in the City of Austin Texas. Notwithstanding when the question of "For" or "Against" the Union was submitted to the people before the war, there was not in the town of Jasper, Texas, a printed ticket to be had that read "For the Union," he was elected over his opponent, a very popular war hero, by a majority of more than three to one. When the time came to go to Austin he arose from a sick bed, against the advice of his physician and family, and went, saying the people had elected him, and he felt that it was one of the greatest public duties of his life to go and represent them. During the early part of the convention he died, February 21, 1866, and was buried in the state cemetery at Austin, Texas.



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OF TEXAS AND THE FIRST CONGRESSMAN  
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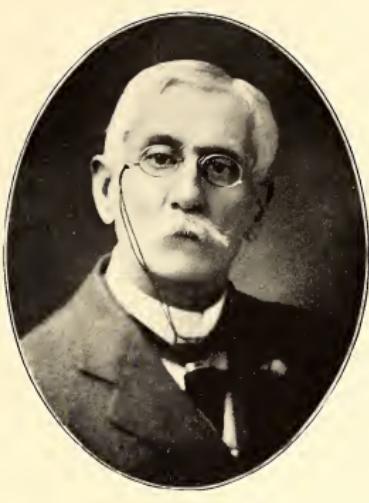
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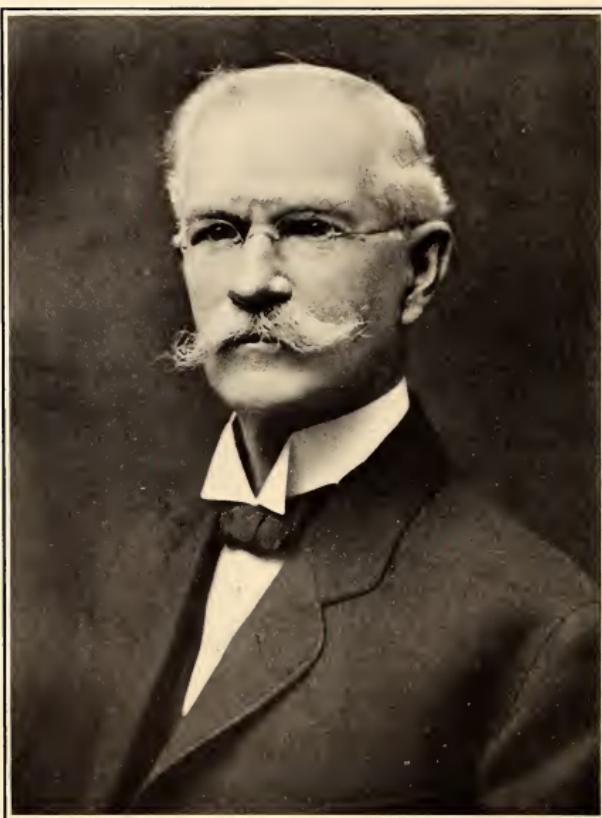
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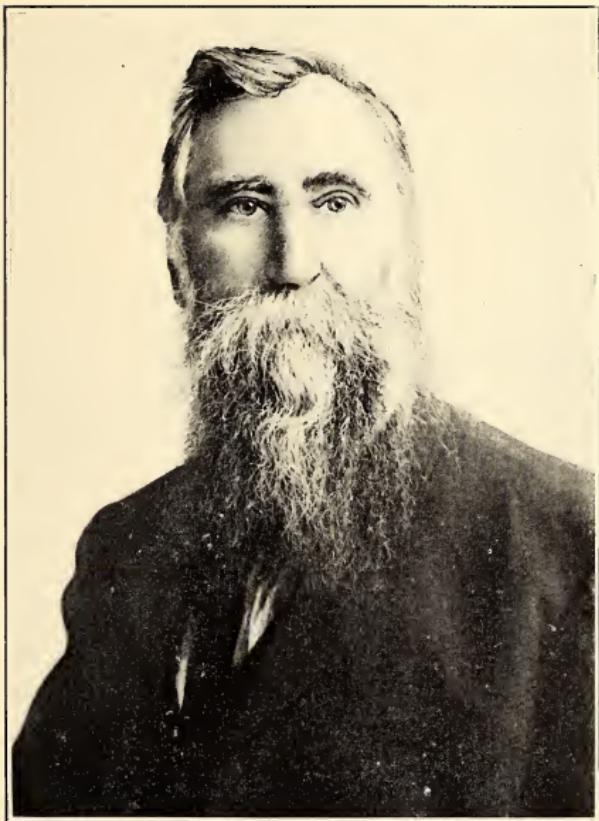
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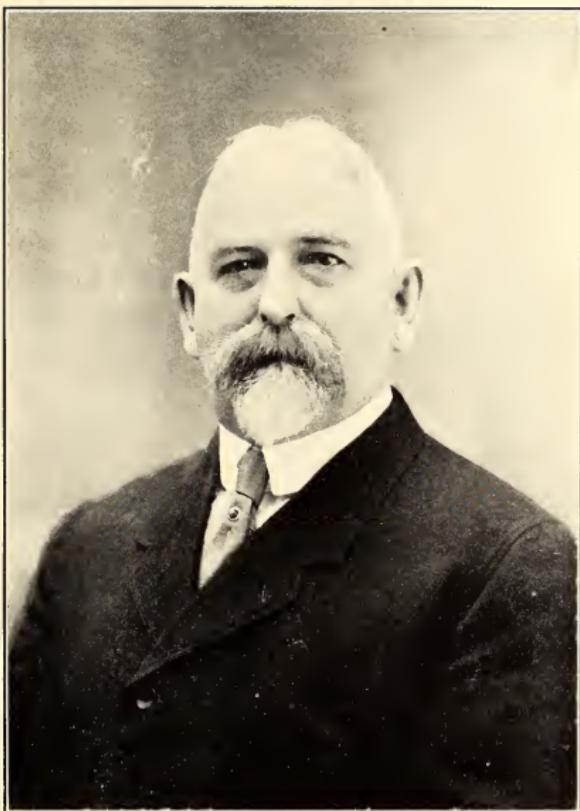
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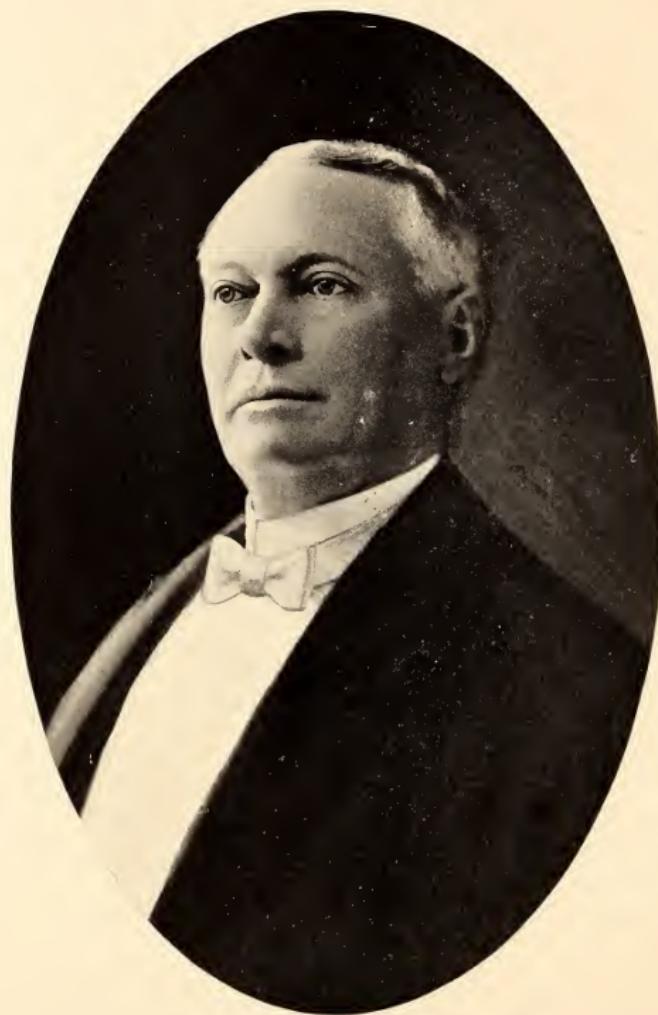
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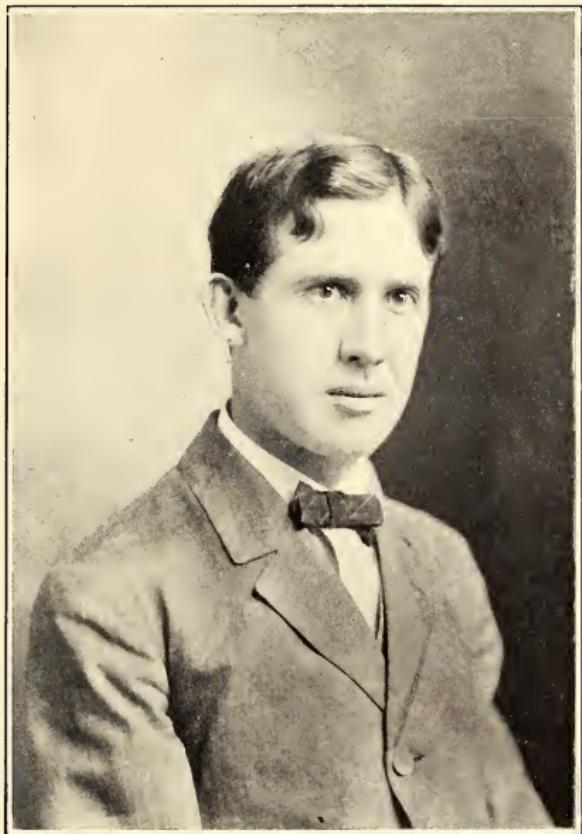
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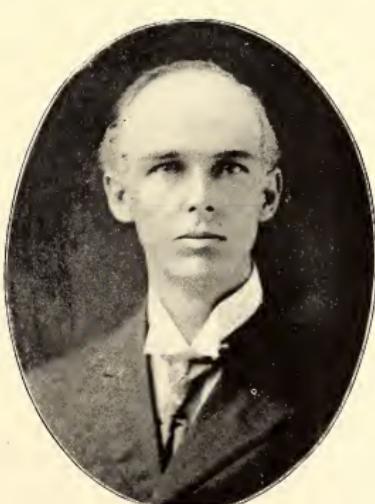
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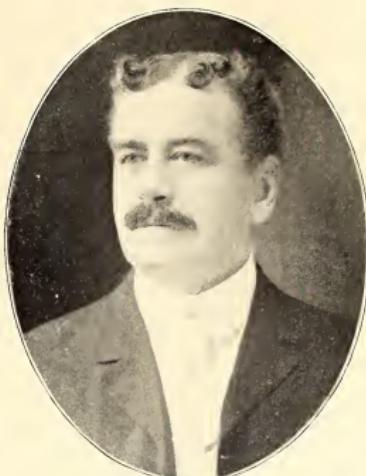
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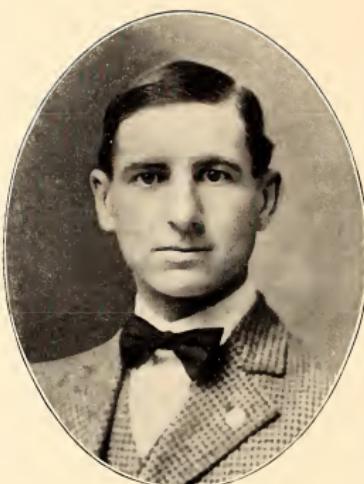
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# THE BENCH AND BAR OF BEAUMONT

## NOTED FOR ITS JUDICIAL AND LEGAL ATTAINMENTS.

The intelligence of any community can not be better reflected than through its bench and bar, and a more certain index to the commercial importance of a city could not be found, whether it be State or other political division, its life and future greatness depend largely on the intelligence and honor of its men who are engaged in the practice of law. The history of Texas is replete with eminent statesmen who have maintained the dignity of the bar in the past, and no less can be said for those who are now following the traditions of the earlier disciples of Blackstone and adding new luster to the history and dignity of their great profession. The judicial function of government is necessary to the preservation of the public peace and order and the protection of individual rights.

From the earliest history the bar has played an important part in the establishment and maintenance of all forms of society and government. As civilization has advanced the men in this profession have advanced likewise, and today there are no more honorable lawyers than the men who practice that profession in the City of Beaumont. It is believed that the bench and bar of no city in Texas have higher capacity for legal learning and integrity than that of Beaumont. No city is graced with minds of greater ability or more intelligence than this city. The bench and bar of Beaumont have furnished many of the best lawyers and jurists of the South and her name is great in the land among the followers of the law.

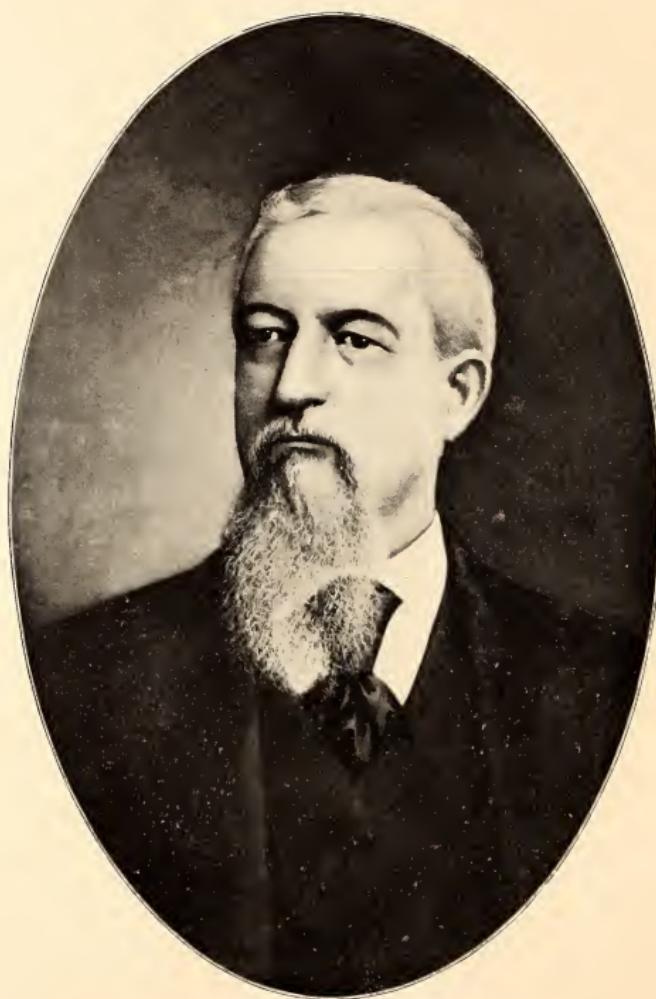
The discovery of one of the greatest oil fields of the world placed upon the bench and bar of Beaumont the professional responsibility of solving many novel questions. It can be said with credit to the bench and bar that these questions were determined according to the science and philosophy of the law, and the bar of Beaumont may lay just claim to establishing of the "laws of minerals" in the jurisprudence of Texas.

The extensive rice interests, with the necessary canals and water supply and the enormous lumber interests have been the source of very important litigation, which has been adjudicated with marked professional skill and ability.

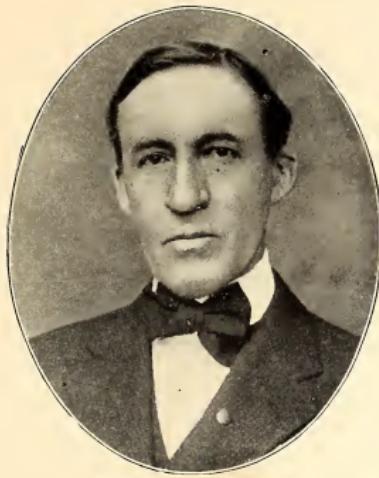
In 1894 the members of the bar organized an association which has accomplished much in the cultivation of fraternal feeling and in maintaining the highest standard of professional ethics. Last year in the entertainment of the State Bar Association, the Jefferson County Bar Association acquitted itself with great credit and honor, establishing a reputation for hospitality second to none in the entire Southwest.

R. A. John served as the first president of the Association. Walter J. Crawford, of whom it may be said was more instrumental in its organization than any other member of the bar, was the second president. F. D. Minor was chosen as the third president. The following are the present officers and directors of the Jefferson County Bar Association.

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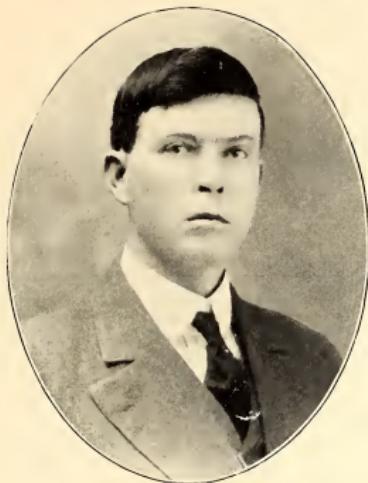
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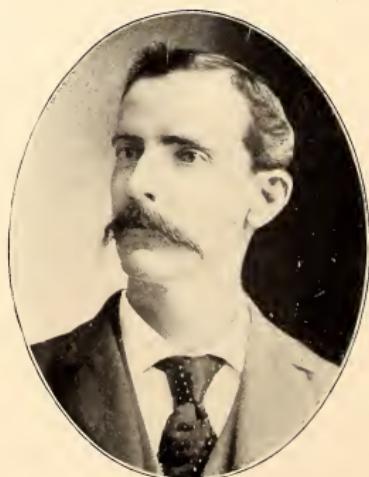
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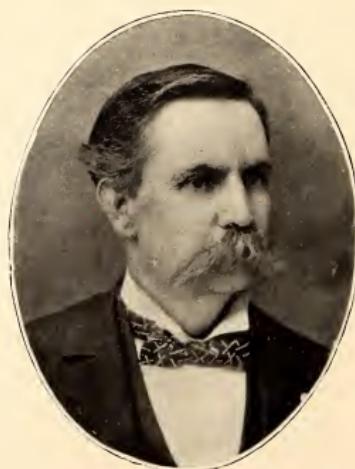
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Served as State Senator of Louisiana, and in the 18th  
and 19th Legislatures from Bexar County, Texas.

# BEAUMONT SOCIETY

## REFINED, DIGNIFIED AND WHOLESOME

Beaumont is justly proud of many things, but of nothing more than of her dignified, wholesome society—the delightful medium for the meeting of her cultured women and men. Beaumont society was brilliant and spectacular during the eventful days of the oil boom when it was considered the visiting girl's paradise. Since then it has grown saner and more conservative, the lines between society people and those with other interests being more clearly drawn. Her society, with its many distinctive features, is second to none in Texas.

In Beaumont there are many clubs—literary, musical, social, patriotic, and in addition, the best of theatrical attractions to entertain the amusement loving, to say nothing of formal functions and informal gatherings. The fact is, during the social season functions fairly tread on each other's heels, society's devotees being kept on the go morning, noon and night. Cards are a favorite form of entertainment, with luncheons running a close second. There are card clubs almost every day in the week, and the card enthusiast can choose his game. Bridge whist, however, has the largest following.

Beaumont's literary clubs are among the best in Texas, their members taking part in all movements for the advancement of woman and holding offices in the state and national organizations. Their programs, which are par excellence, stimulate literary work of a high order.

Many citizens are enthusiastic over civic improvement, and are banded together into a civic club to work for "The City Beautiful." City parks afford a place of recreation for the grown people and a playground for the children. Band concerts are given twice a week in Keith Park from June to October.

The Daughters of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the Confederacy have large, growing and earnest memberships, and these two patriotic societies are closely allied with the state organizations for the encouragement of patriotism. They are planning to mark with monuments the historic places in and near the city.

The Neches Club and the Elks Club contribute materially to the social life of Beaumont with their dances and receptions and hold their own with the best social clubs anywhere in the country. They are housed in handsome apartments in the Kyle Theatre building, in keeping with their dignity and importance. Libraries, ball rooms, billiard rooms, parlors and so on are provided for the entertainment of their members and guests. Their annual balls, which are attended by people from all over Texas, are the social events each season.

The Country Club has excellent facilities for outdoor pleasures and is one of the city's prides. Its quarters are the most attractive imaginable, and its grounds are in excellent shape. The view of the Neches river is charming from the club verandas, which are fanned in the summer by the Gulf breezes and cheered in the winter by the Southern sunshine.

One decided factor in the society of Beaumont is the Neches river with its aquatic possibilities. Boat parties flourish here the year round as the weather is always equable.

Schools, churches and Y. M. C. A. building all reflect the cultured citizenship of Beaumont.

The intellectual are entertained with the lyceum lectures at the Y. M. C. A., and those musically inclined can find diversion at the meetings of the Matinee Musical Club and the concerts of the Beaumont Musical Society. Some of the best musical talent in the country is brought to Beaumont through the efforts of the latter organization.

Beautiful homes and miles of drives, automobiles and smart equipages of one kind and another make a visit to the Queen of the Neches altogether ideal.



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6. SIDNEY WHEELLESS  
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THE FUTURE BEAUX AND BELLES OF BEAUMONT

## CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

### LITERARY CLUBS.

#### THE BEAUMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Organized 1906; Officers: President, Mrs. M. L. Fuller, Vice President, Mr. Leon Sonfield; Secretary, Mrs. Lena Meredith; Librarian, Mr. S. J. Brent.

#### THE WOMAN'S READING CLUB.

Organized 1895. Membership, 48. Meets every Saturday, at the Bell Austin Institute. Officers: president, Mrs. Benjamin Irby; first vice-president, Mrs. C. T. Heisig; second vice-president, Mrs. Lipscomb Norvell; secretary, Mrs. John W. Mackey; corresponding secretary, Mrs. T. J. Russell; librarian, Mrs. Lee Flowers; treasurer, Mrs. T. A. Lamb.

#### TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB.

Organized 1899. Membership, 23. Meets every Thursday afternoon at the members' homes. Officers: president, Mrs. D. Edward Greer; vice-president, Mrs. C. L. Wallis; recording secretary, Mrs. E. A. McDowell; corresponding secretary, Mrs. S. W. Pipkin; treasurer, Mrs. C. G. Prutzman; librarian, Mrs. M. L. Fuller; critic, Mrs. F. D. Minor.

#### THE SHAKESPEARE CLUB.

Organized 1901. Membership, 8. Meets every Wednesday at the members' homes. Officers: president, Mrs. Josephine Goodhue; vice-president, Mrs. T. J. Russell; recording secretary, Mrs. Will P. Sledge; corresponding secretary, Mrs. George Brown; treasurer, Mrs. Henry Lee Holman.

### MUSICAL CLUBS.

#### THE MATINEE MUSICAL CLUB.

Organized 1905. Membership 28. Officers: president, Mrs. John Gilbert; vice-president, Mrs. E. E. Edwards; recording secretary, Mrs. H. C. Kahn; corresponding secretary, Miss Viva Russell; treasurer, Mrs. Bruce Richardson; librarian, Miss Esther Lewis; reporter, Mrs. Edwards.

#### THE BEAUMONT MUSICAL SOCIETY.

Organized 1906. Membership 170; Officers: president, M. L. Hinchee; vice-president, W. L. Childs; secretary, Lee Dawson; treasurer, John Mackey; director, W. A. Kirkpatrick; accompanist, Jo Evans.

### PATRIOTIC CLUBS.

#### UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

The Dick Dowling Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Organized 1900. Membership 20. Meets first Monday of each month. Officers: president, Mrs. Hal Greer; vice-president, Mrs. Tom Briggance; secretary, Mrs. Euke Rone; treasurer, Mrs. George W. O'Brien; historian, Mrs. Fannie Tippett; registrar, Mrs. Leon Levy.

#### DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

The Col. George Moffett Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Organized 1906. Membership 27. Meets first Wednesday of every month from October to June. Officers: regent, Mrs. B. Rush Norvell; vice-regent, Mrs. H. M. Whitaker; secretary, Mrs. James A. Harrison; registrar, Mrs. M. L. Fuller; treasurer, Mrs. Jack Josey.

#### TEXAS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

H. W. Lawton, Corps No. 20, Department of Texas Womans Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. Organized December 1901—18 members. Meets first and second Tuesdays each month at Knights of Pythias Hall, 3:30 P. M. Officers: president Mrs. Mary J. Scott Underhill; senior vice-president, Mrs. Cyrethia Smith; junior vice-president, Mrs. Marie Barr; secretary, Mrs. Addie Barr; treasurer Mrs. Daisy Elder; chaplain, Mrs. Nora Smith; conductor, Mrs. Marie Jones; guard, Mrs. Mollie Grier; patriotic instructor, Mrs. Kate Easton Smith.

Object: To dispense relief to the distressed and needy, teach lessons of Patriotism and civic pride.

### SOCIAL CLUBS.

#### THE NECHES CLUB.

Organized 1899. Membership 200. Officers: president, Robert Corley; vice-president, W. F. Keith; secretary, W. L. Pondrom; treasurer, Paul Millard; directors; N. M. McKie, S. B. Cooper, Jr., L. F. Gilbert, P. B. Doty, Hubert T. Fuller, Ludlow Calhoun, John C. Chaney, B. F. Quicksall, Hubert Oxford, Leon Sonfield and James S. Edwards.

#### THE COUNTRY CLUB.

Organized 1906. Membership, 200. Officers: president, Samuel Park; vice-president, J. Edgar Pew; treasurer, W. S. Davidson; secretary, C. F. Moore; assistant secretary, Marion Brock; club steward and golf instructor, Thomas O'Neil. Directors; Sam Park, W. S. Davidson, C. F. Moore, D. Edward Greer, Guy W. Junker, Stewart R. Smith, Henry D. Keith, C. H. Markham, J. Edgar Pew.

### CARD CLUBS.

#### THE MONDAY BRIDGE WHIST CLUB.

Organized 1907. Membership 12. Meets every Monday. Officers: president, Mrs. Hal Greer; secretary, Mrs. M. S. Duffie.

#### THE TUESDAY HIGH FIVE CLUB.

Organized 1900. Membership 20. Officers: chairman, Mrs. Sam Scinsky.

## THE THURSDAY BRIDGE WHIST CLUB.

Organized 1907. Membership 12. Meets every Thursady afternoon; Officers: president, Mrs. Hal Greer; vice-president, Mrs. W. P. H. McFaddin; secretary, Mrs. Lindsay Boykin.

## THE FRIDAY CARD CLUB.

Organized 1902. Membership 12. Meets every Friday. Officers: president, Mrs. W. P. H. McFaddin; vice-president, Mrs. W. H. Pope; secretary, Mrs. Tom Andrus.

## THE TUESDAY FIVE HUNDRED CLUB.

Organized 1906. Membership, 12. Meets every Tuesday. Officers president, Mrs. B. Rush Norvell; vice-president, Mrs. S. W. Parish; secretary, Mrs. Tom Andrus.

## THE THURSDAY FIVE HUNDRED CLUB.

Organized 1906. Membership 12. Officers: secretary, Miss Edna Brown.

## THE GIRLS' BRIDGE WHIST CLUB.

Membership 16. Officers: President, Mrs. Guy H. Reed. Meets every Thursday.

## THE DUPLICATE WHIST CLUB.

Membership 8. Officers: prsident, Mrs. H. N. Cole. Meets every Tues-day.

## THE WEDNESDAY BRIDGE WHIST CLUB.

Membership 12. Officers: president, Mrs. S. B. Cooper. Meets every Wednesday.

## MISCELLANEOUS SOCIETIES.

## TEMPERANCE HALL COMPANY.

The Temperance Hall Company was organized in 1874 for the purpose of promoting temperance, the cultivation of social ntercourse and the study of literary subjects, etc. It has been a great factor in giving to the city a higher standard of citizenship. They own one of the handsomest and most valuable buildings in the city. The officers are as follows: F. A. Land, president; G. W. O'Brien' vice-president; J. A. S. Curtis, secretary; Geo. O. B. Millard, treasurer.

## INTERNATIONAL SUNSHINE SOCIETY.

The Oliver Westover branch, Texas division, of the International Sunshine Society was organized June, 1907, with 30 members; meets second Tuesday of each month in the basement of the First Methodist Church, 3:30 P. M. Officers: president, Mrs. Mary J. Scott Underhill; First vice-president, Mrs. F. W. Shepherd; second vice-president, Mrs. J. B. Evert; secretary, Mrs. George Stockwell; treasurer, Mrs. Jack Parker; advisory board, Mesdames Leon, R. Levy, Brown Daniels, L. W. Shepherd, E. W. Lowery, Daisy Elder, and L. E. Showers.

Special work—To help care for the babies in the Sunshine Blind Baby's Home, at New York City.

## THE CIVIC FEDERATION

Organized February, 1907. Meet subject to call. Officers and members: Col. A. J. Houston; president, Mrs. T. S. Reed; vice-president, Mrs. T. B. Tippett; treasurer, Mr. Alexander Helper; secretary, Mesdames: Leon R. Levy, Lipp Norvell, C. L. Wallis, Hal W. Greer, Jack Ward, S. G. Sutton, J. Loeb, F. D. Minor, John B. Goodhue, J. A. Arnold, W. P. Molette, J. T. Magill, E. L. Bradley, M. L. Fuller, M. E. Rowze, L. J. Davis, S. C. Pittman, J. L. Keith and H. D. Keith.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Organized December 11, 1904. Membership, 135. Officers: August Babin, G. K.; Joe P. Landry, D. G. K.; John P. Doherty, Ch.; J. J. Hogan, W.; Louis Eastin, Rec. S.; R. J. Barry, F. S.; Rev. Wm. J. Lee, chaplin; D. R. Barry, lecturer; A. Broussard, I. G.; Wm. D. Southwell, O. G.

This is one of the most popular Fraternal Beneficiary and Social Orders of the city. It is composed of an enthusiastic membership that is ever active in promoting its interests. Its entertainments and receptions are looked for with keen anticipation as they are among the most pleasurable of the city's social events.

## BEAUMONT MUSICAL SOCIETY

The Beaumont Musical Society is not only one of the most praiseworthy organizations, but the strongest factor in developing the musical art of the city. The Society was organized September, 1906, for the purpose of training singers in concerted work and raising the standard of music in the city. Its membership is now composed of 170 of the most talented musicians and music-loving people of the city. The members are enthusiastic and earnest in their desire to study and interpret the works of the best authors, and in order to accomplish this they give their best thoughts and efforts to the Society. In their desire to study the style and vocalization of the great exponents of the musical art, each season they engage the services of several of the most famous vocalists of the world. This season they have had in concert work the great dramatic soprano, Mme. Johanna Gadski, and the famous operatic baritone, Mr. David Bispham. No expense or labor is spared in securing the world's greatest artists, and there are very few cities in the South that are so fortunate in having the opportunities of enjoying musical treats of so high a standard.

The chorus of the society is composed of fifty or more well trained voices, whom, under the direction and training of Mr. W. A. Kirkpatrick, one of the most experienced and skillful directors of the South, has attained a degree of perfection in choral work seldom equaled by amateur organizations.

The artistic work of the Society is becoming known throughout the State, and is fast placing Beaumont in the enviable position of being one of the most cultured musical cities of the South.

Mr. M. L. Hinchee, the President of the Society, was one of its promoters and organizers, and has unselfishly devoted his time and money to its interests since its incipiency. The praise of the citizens at large are due Mr. Hinchee for the success of this magnificent organization, as its success is in a great measure the result of his splendid executive ability and unceasing labor for its welfare.

## THE CIVIC FEDERATION OF BEAUMONT

This is an organization quite characteristic of this city's population. Full of energy, with an enthusiastic devotion to the work of making their city what nature has intended it to be, one of the most beautiful and healthful to be found anywhere. It encourages the planting of trees and of flower gardens. It appeals to the city authorities to make particular improvements, abate nuisances, enforce sanitary laws and street and sidewalk ordinances. On two evenings in each week during the summer months a free concert is given in the beautiful Keith Park, where a large National flag floats and smaller ones drape the bandstand and where great throngs of a cosmopolitan and contented people gather to listen to the music of the city's Italian band. Other cities may well envy Beaumont this band. It is the wonder and admiration of strangers, but



KEITH'S PARK, ONE OF BEAUMONT'S PLAY GROUNDS AND WHERE THE BAND CONCERTS ARE HELD  
SEMI-WEEKLY UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE CIVIC FEDERATION

Beaumonters take it as a matter of course—that they are entitled to the best of music as in everything else. At nine o'clock, when the musical program is half completed the president of the Federation introduces some representative professional or business man to deliver a short address upon some civic subject, after which the band renders The Star Spangled Banner, sung also by the audience, standing, out of reverence for the National anthem. The membership of the Federation is composed principally of ladies, who are representatives of the refinement and education of the city. The vice-president, Mrs. T. S. Reed, is also president of the Organized Charities, and her well known work in behalf of that cause has endeared her to the people. The treasurer, Mrs. T. B. Tippett, is not only an enthusiastic member of the Federation, but is also an ardent worker in other important organizations. Among the gentlemen who are members is Col. A. J. Houston, and having known him for years in other parts of the State, the writer is sure that those ladies not only evinced wisdom by complimenting him with the presidency, but the organization and the city is

most fortunate in the selection, for while he has always shunned the limelight, except in military affairs, many of his friends know him to possess rare talents. By them he is considered an authority on military and naval matters and in art and literature as well. We knew him as an officer in the Texas National Guard where, whether as captain or as colonel, his organizations were recognized as the standard of efficiency. We are confident that his work as president of the Civic Federation of Beaumont will be done to the credit of the city. The secretary is Mr. Alexander Helper, who is also secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. He is a gentleman of the old school and has a peculiar faculty for inspiring everyone whom he meets, with an admiration for the city and a strong faith in its future greatness.

#### BEAUMONT CHURCH DIRECTORY.

##### BAPTIST.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH; Rev. Caleb A. Ridley, pastor; corner Pearl and Forsythe streets.

THE MAGNOLIA AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH; Rev. J. A. Smart, pastor; Magnolia Avenue.

##### CATHOLIC.

ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH; Rev. W. J. Lee, pastor; corner Jefferson and Maury streets.

##### CHRISTIAN.

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH; Rev. J. B. Holmes, pastor; corner Magnolia and North streets.

##### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST; Mrs. M. M. Lappington, reader; corner Pearl and College streets.

##### EPISCOPAL.

ST. MARKS CHURCH; Rev. G. B. Norton, rector; corner Orleans and Forsythe streets.

##### METHODIST.

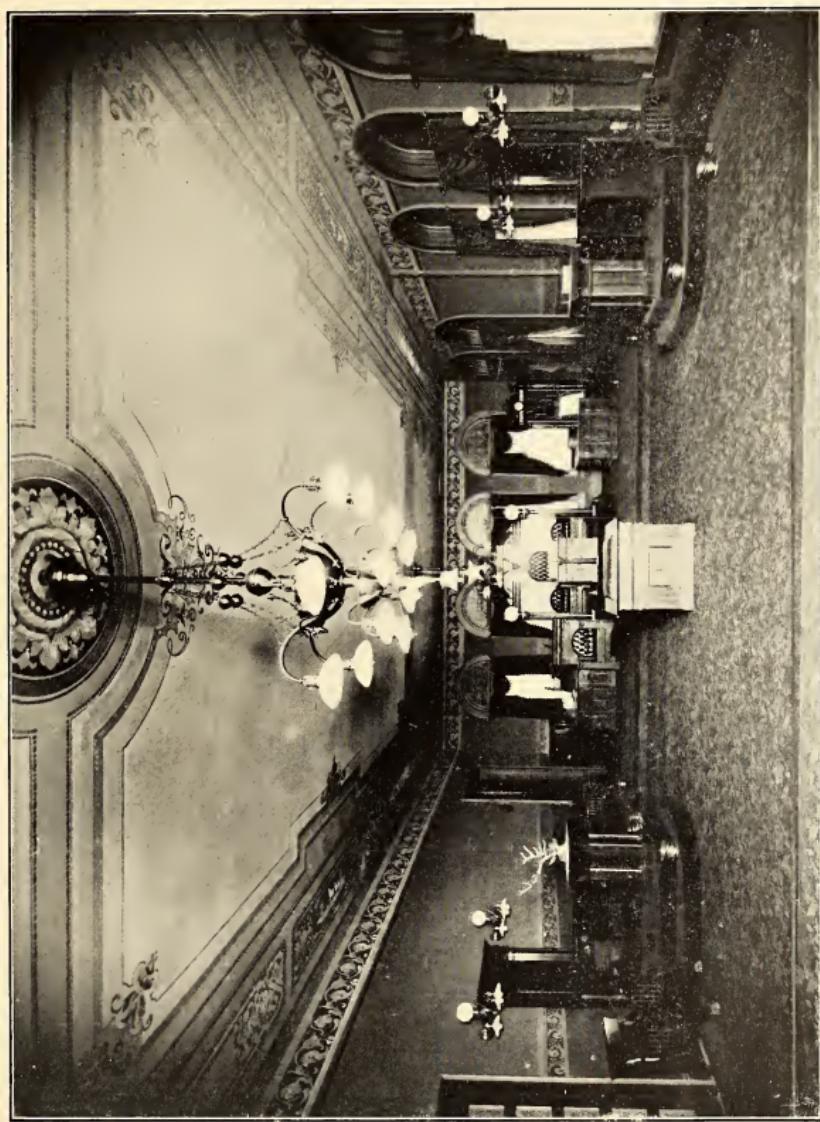
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH; Rev. Sam R. Hay, pastor; corner Pearl and Broadway.

THE CARTWRIGHT CHAPEL; Rev. M. L. Fowler, pastor; Roberts Avenue.

##### PRESBYTERIAN.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH; Rev. F. E. Robbins, pastor; corner Main and Elizabeth streets.

ROYAL STREET CHURCH; Rev. F. E. Robbins, pastor; Royal street.



INTERIOR VIEW OF ELKS' LODGE ROOM

## THE NECHES CLUB

The Neches Club of Beaumont was organized August 17, 1899 for the promotion of reading and the cultivation of social intercourse, being the first social club of serious importance in Beaumont. Prior to the organization of the Neches Club, and to fill a long felt want, a cotillion club dubbed "The Dixie Club" sprung into existence, which was the Neches Club of today in embryo, but this Dixie Club was but temporary. Then came the Neches Club established on broader lines with the rock of the desire to amuse and be amused for its base.

The following were the club's officers during the first year of its life:

President, Alf. J. Eastin; vice-president, C. E. Wiess; treasurer, W. B. Ligon; secretaries, J. S. Edwards and Charles Strack.

The above officers and F. A. Helbig, George H. Bush, H. L. Blanchette and Charles H. Lowe constituted the directors.

All of these men proved good friends to the club during the trying days of its infancy. The name of Alf. J. Eastin will be remembered so long as the Neches Club is in existence, for he was the father of the club, organizing it with ten members, and giving liberally of his time and money to make it a success. He helped it over innumerable rough places, in fact, the very idea of the club itself originated with him.

The officers of the Neches club are a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and eleven directors in whom the government of the club is vested. In addition the club maintains a house committee, a finance committee and an amusement committee.

The by-laws of the Neches Club were drawn up and signed by Alf. J. Eastin, B. S. Woodhead, S. DeSilva, O. S. Hodges and Chenault O'Brien in the early days of the club's history. The wisdom of these by-laws has been proved time and again, and they are now just as they were written—a credit to the men who drew them up.

Any male resident of Beaumont who has attained the age of twenty one years, is of good moral character and has resided in Beaumont for six months is eligible to membership. The club has now one hundred and ninety-five members, fifteen of whom are non resident. A member is privileged to introduce to the club rooms as his guests only out of town men to whom guest cards are given along with the privileges of the club.

The Neches Club has elegant quarters on the fourth floor of the opera house building. A large billiard room, handsomely fitted up is one of the club's prides. Another is the parlor, very lovely in cream, with leather couches, gilt settees, a beautiful covering for the floor, a fine piano, pretty pictures and elegant hangings at the windows: These combine to make a very attractive resting place. The piece de resistance of the Neches Club is its ball room. The floor is inlaid with maple, its walls of rose tint with curtains of the same hue, festooned with spider lace. A number of spindle leg chairs are placed in here for between dance tete-tees. In the rear of the ball room is the library, made cosy by heavy green curtains, comfortable chairs and good lights and Globe Wernicke shelves holding some five hundred volumes and tables laden with paper, pens and ink, magazines and newspapers which make this place the delight of the loafer.

The colors of the club are dark blue and gold and the emblem is a "C" placed on an "N".

This club's annual ball is the social event of each season and those that have been given have enviable places in the social history of Beaumont. It is the time harbored custom in this club to give the annual ball on Thanksgiving eve, and then too there's usually a Christmas dance enjoyed in the club rooms. During the social season dances are given by the Neches Club men almost every Friday night.

The Neches Club is a dignified social factor in the social life of Beaumont and has been ever since its organization in 1899.

OFFICERS  
OF THE  
NECHES CLUB



ED. A. BRULIN, Ex-President



W. F. KEITH, Vice-President



ROBERT CORLEY, President



PAUL MILLARD, Treasurer



W. L. PONDROM, Secretary



BALL ROOM OF THE NECESSES CLUB



VIEW FROM THE NECHES RIVER, SHOWING THE PIER, BOAT HOUSE AND CLUB HOUSE OF THE COUNTRY CLUB

# THE BEAUMONT COUNTRY CLUB

BEAUTIFULLY LOCATED ON THE NECHES RIVER, THREE MILES FROM THE CITY

The location of the club is the loveliest imaginable, the clubhouse being on a hill overlooking the river and surrounded by a hundred acres of rolling ground which is laid out in golf links and tennis courts.

The clubhouse itself is most attractive with its great room in the centre of which there is a large open fireplace. The dining room is to the south of this and the smoking room to the north. The ladies dressing and rest rooms are to the rear of the reception hall which is flanked by the housekeeper's room. The kitchen is connected to the dining room by a long passage. Two large stairways lead from the reception hall to the billiard and pool rooms and to the



CLUB HOUSE OF BEAUMONT COUNTRY CLUB

bed rooms of which there are seven. Large verandas down stairs and up, circle the building.

There is a bowling alley directly behind the club house and in front of the latter a boat house.

This club affords recreation to the business and professional men after business hours and already has a membership of two hundred and a long waiting list. It is one of Beaumont's prides and quite properly so.

The officers are: viz, Sam Park, president; J. Edgar Pew, vice-president; W. S. Davidson, treasurer; C. F. Moore, secretary; Marion Brock, ass't secretary; Thomas O'Neil, club steward and golf instructor; directors, Sam Park, W. S. Davidson, C. F. Moore, D. Edward Greer, Guy W. Junker, Stewart R. Smith, Henry D. Keith, C. H. Markham, J. Edgar Pew.

## MEMBERS AND STOCKHOLDERS

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Britton, A. M., 203 Weiss building, phone 711 O.  
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Broussard, Joe., 1614 College street, phone 1096 O.  
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Carroll, Geo. W., 942 Park street, phone 45 O.  
Carroll, W. M., 725 Park street, phone 337 O.  
Carroll, F. Lee, 942 Park street, phone 45 O.  
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Cunningham, W. W., 787 Calder avenue, phone 19 O.  
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Fisher, J. F., Crosby Hotel, phone 673 O.  
Gordon, Amos K., Security Oil Company, phone 836 N.  
Gilbert, Jno. N., 879 Pearl street, phone 132 O.  
Gilbert, Harvey, 879 Pearl street, phone 132 O.  
Gilbert, Linn, 879 Pearl street, phone 132 O.  
Goodhue, Forest, Crosby Hotel, phone 146 B.  
Greeves, W. B., 1017 avenue B., phone 1000 O.  
Greeves, O. B., 1501 College street, phone 1255 O.  
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Greer, Robt. A., 1217 Orleans street, phone 67 O.  
Greer, George C., 1493 Calder avenue, phone 442 O.  
Greer, Hal W., 993 Calder avenue, phone 145 B.  
Godsey, Frank, McFaddin and 8th streets, phone 491 N.  
Gordon, L. S., 1082 North street, phone 1317 O.  
Gordon, W. D., 869 Calder avenue, phone 537 O.  
Gray, W. C., Calder avenue, phone 835 O.  
Glasscock, D. W., 1375 Brodway, phone 114 O.  
Guterman, M.,  
Gann, Fred, Voth, Texas.  
Hinchee, M. L., 1814 Park street, phone 732 O.  
Hallowell, R. M., Industrial Lbr. Company, phone 62 B.  
Hageman, Chas. A., Crosby Hotel, phone 164 B.  
Heisig, C. T., 1227 Broadway, phone 1254 O.  
Heisig, P. A., 788 Park street, phone 119 O.  
Howth, C. W., Court House, phone 64 N.  
Hoopes, Burt, 1216 Calder avenue, phone 52 N.  
Hebert, Ben B., 1208 Hebert street, phone 938 O.  
Heffner, R. A., 1415 Johns avenue, phone 49 O.  
Harrison, Jas. A. 1146 Hebert street, phone 546 O.  
Hobby, W. P., Beaumont Enterprise, phone 300 O.  
Ives, Chas. M., Irby, Smith & Ives, phone 733 O.  
Junker, Guy W., 1188 Orleans street, phone 1044 O.  
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Jones, Pickett.  
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Keith, Henry, 1214 Broadway, phone 67 N.  
Keith, John L., 982 Calder avenue, phone 66 O.  
Keith, Jas. L., 1170 Calder avenue, phone 973 N.  
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Keith, J. Frank, 2210 Calder avenue, phone 33 B.  
Keith, W. Carroll, Voth, Texas, phone 1101 O.  
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King, Tom C., 780 Penn. avenue, phone 202 O.  
Kennedy, G. C., 934 Calder avenue, phone 722 O.  
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Langham, Thos. H., 1182 Orleans street, phone 259 O.  
Langham, Henry, 911 Park street, phone 115 O.  
Lomax, F. G., Keith Electric Company, phone 73 O.  
Lemex, J. D., National Supply Company, phone 436 B.  
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Levy, Leon R., 201 Main street, phone 56 N.  
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Molette, W. P., 270 Shamrock, avenue, phone 326 N.  
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Omohundro, P. G., 564 2nd street, phone 47 N.  
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Pipkin, Jean, Pipkin & Langham, phone 330 O.  
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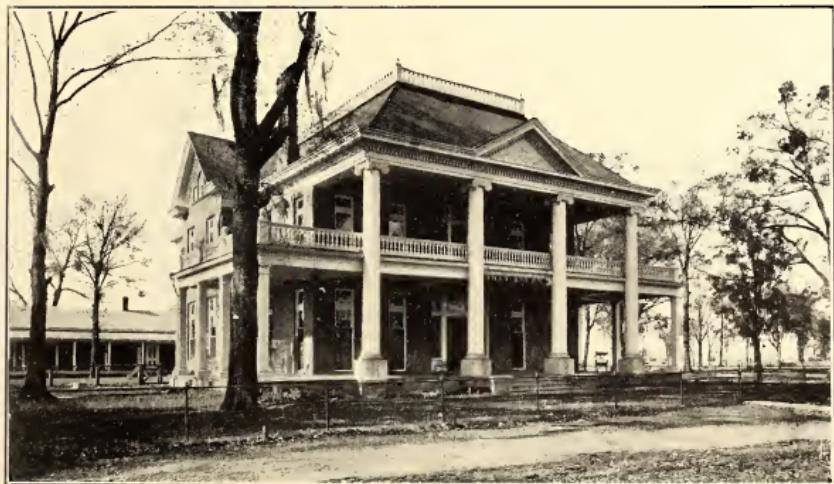
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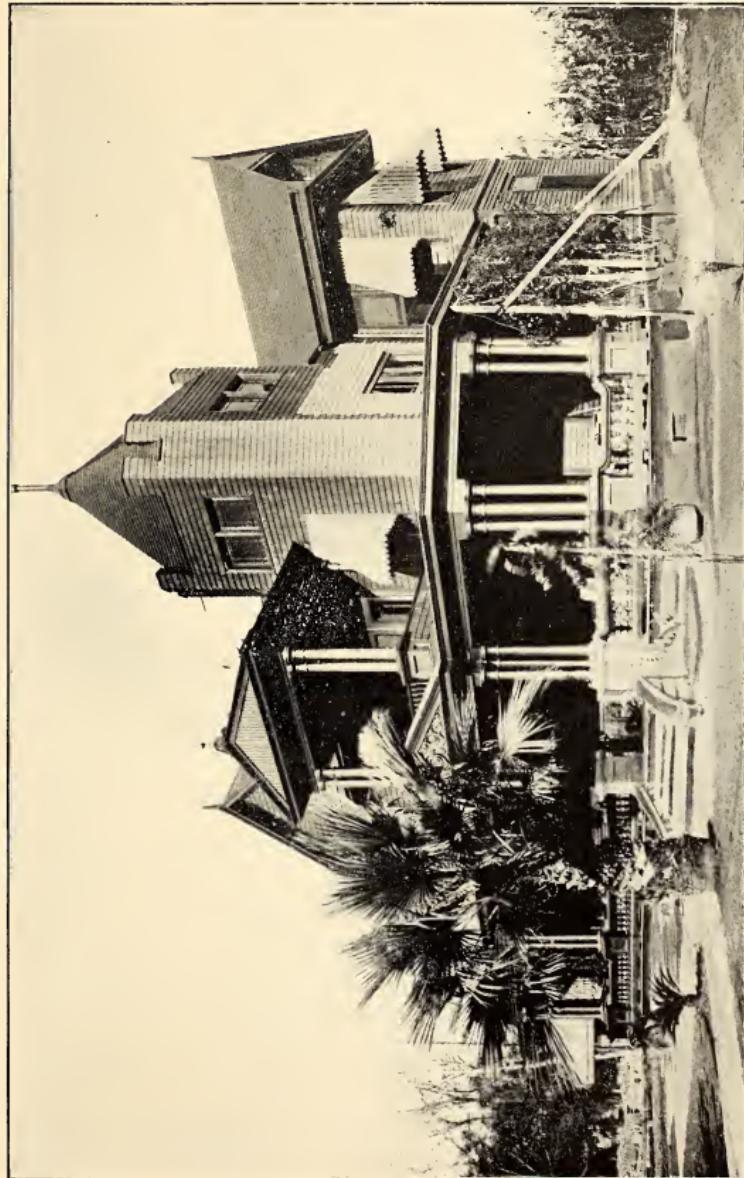
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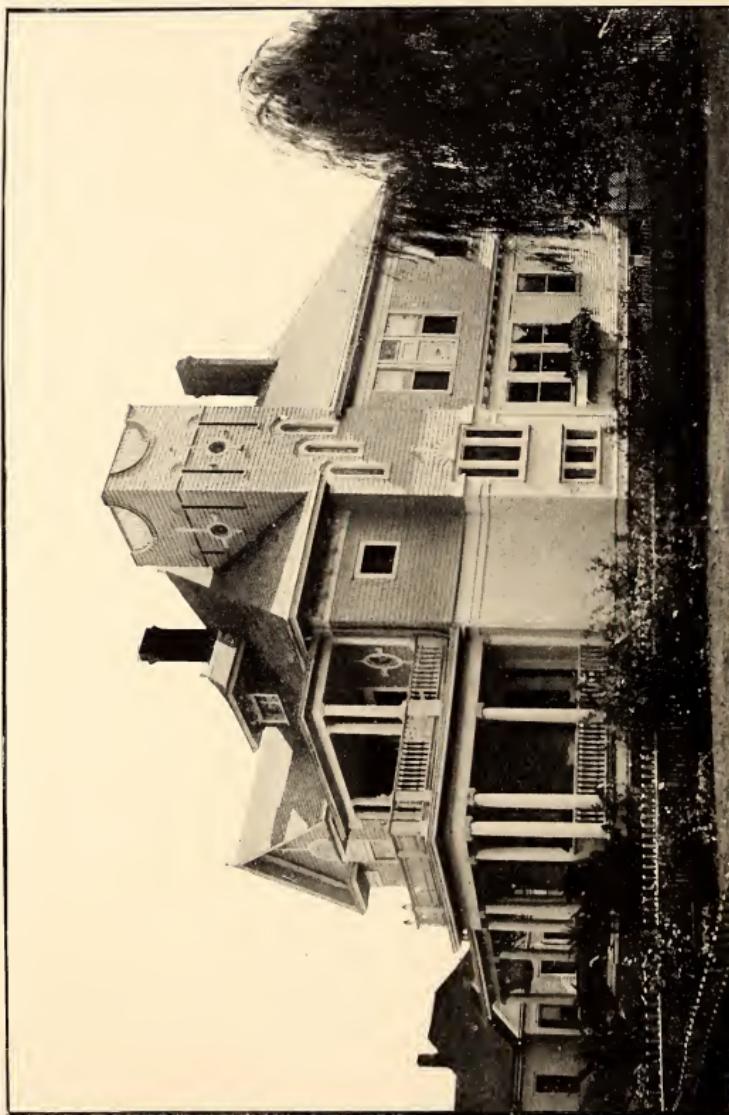
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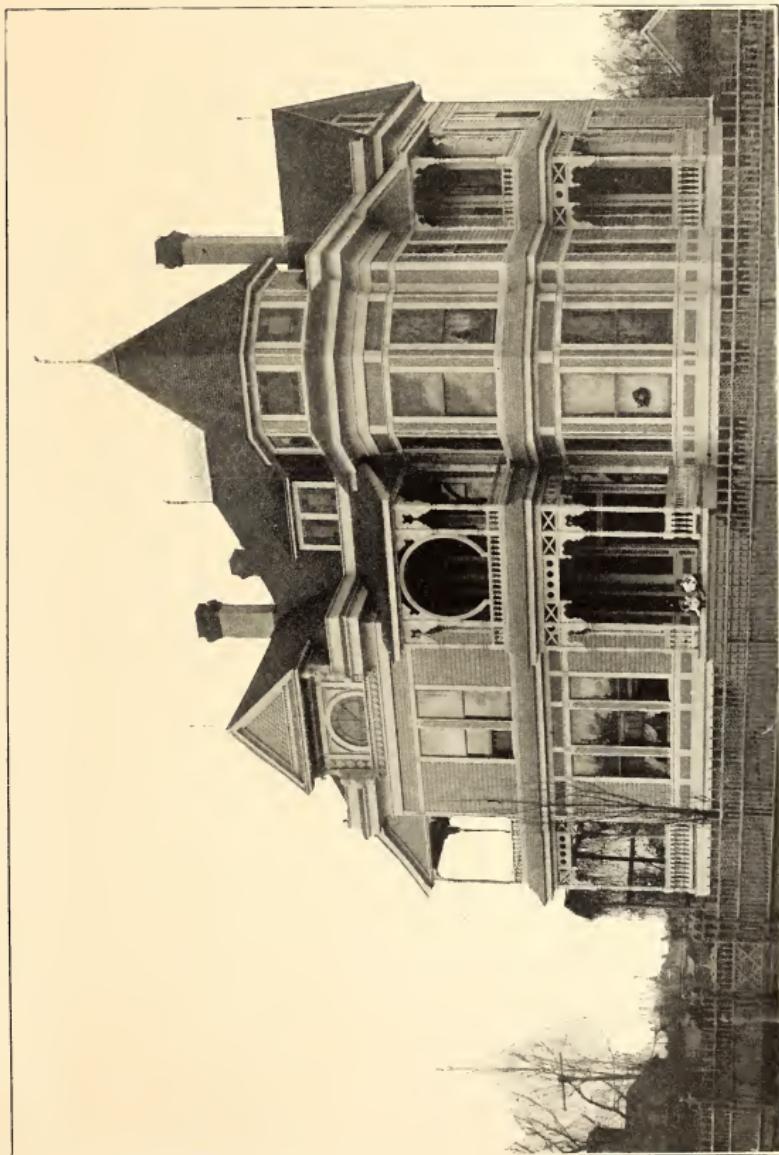
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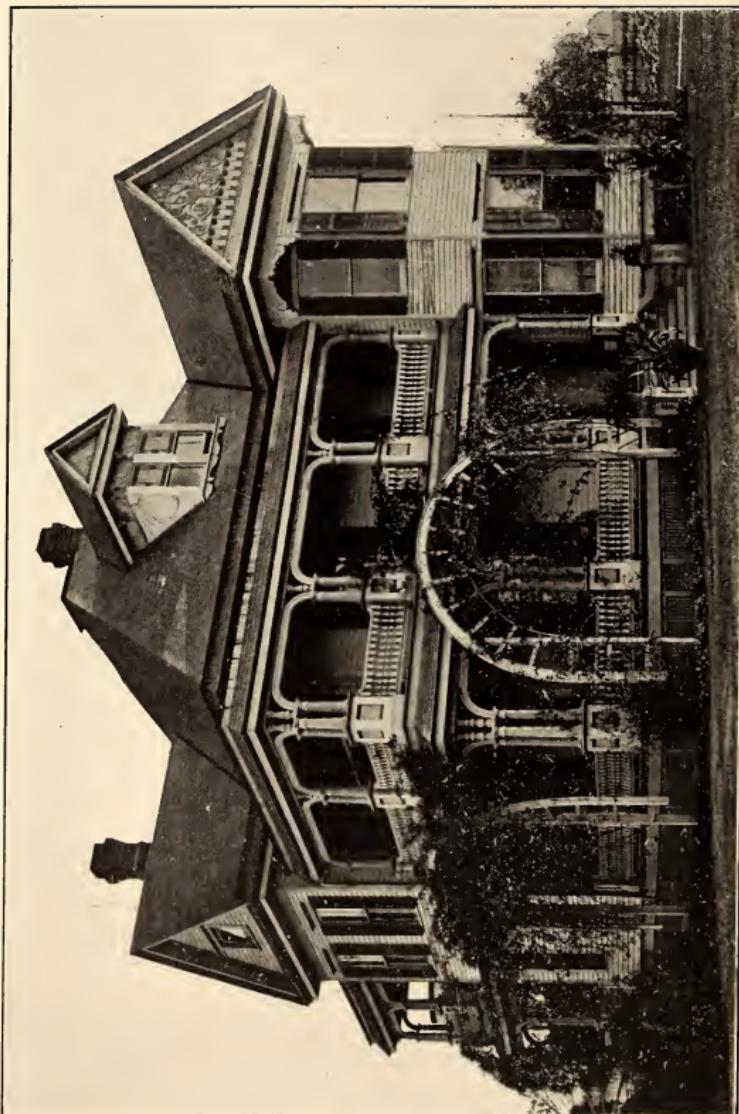
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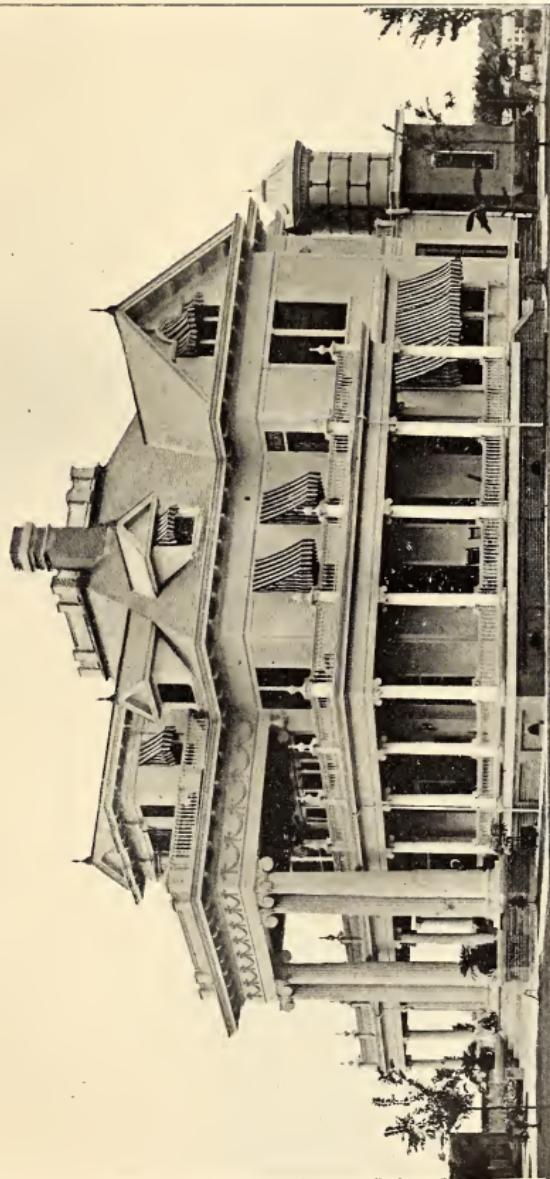
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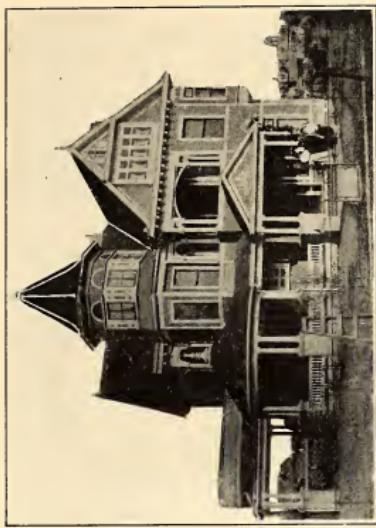
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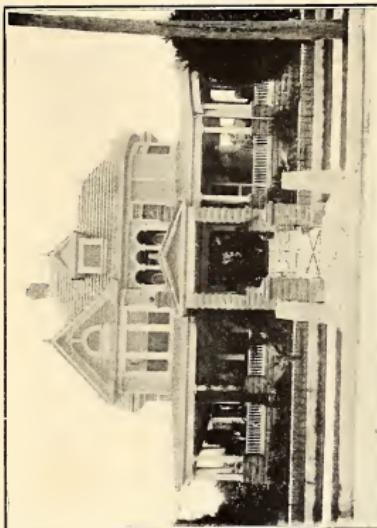
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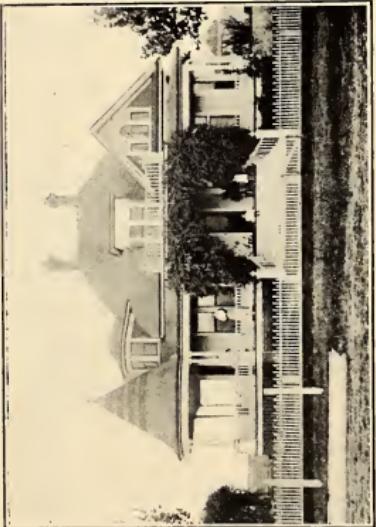
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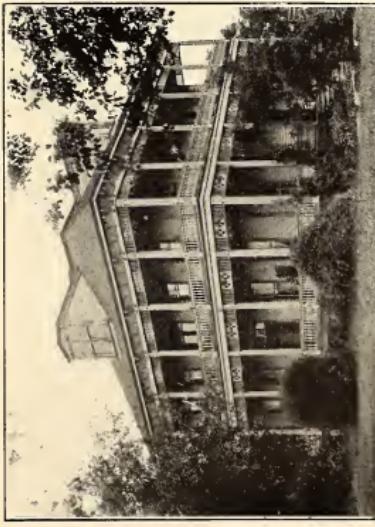
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Brock, Miss Pearl, 1092 Ave C., Sw. ph. 429.  
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Brown, Mrs. Thomas J., 1292 Liberty Ave., B. ph. 198.  
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Featherstone, Mrs. Lewis L., 890 Roberts, Sw. ph. 348.  
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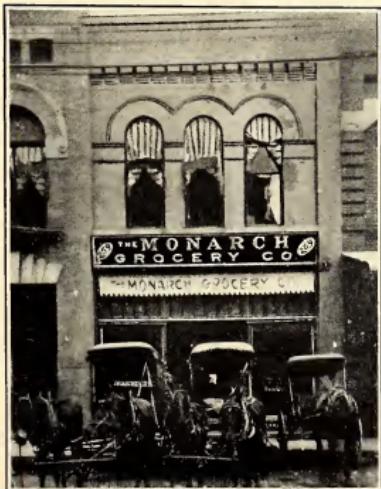
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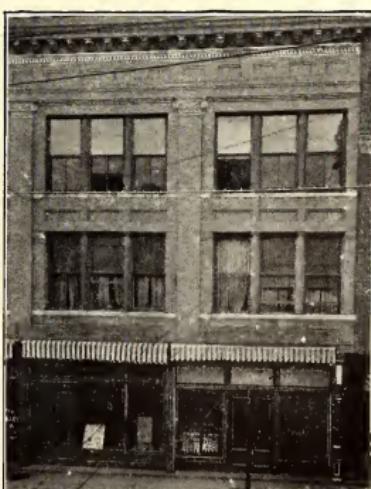


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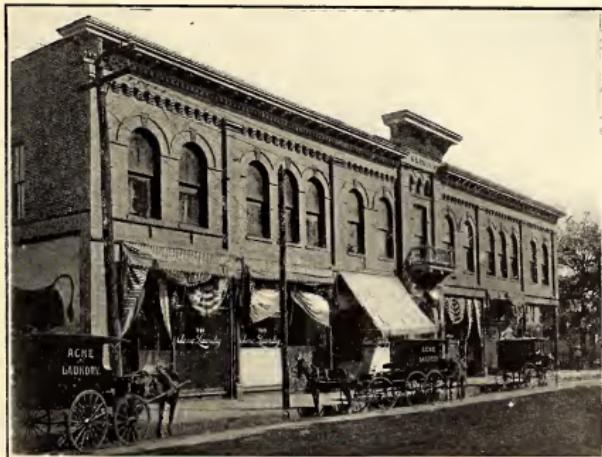
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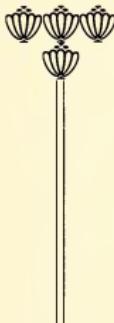
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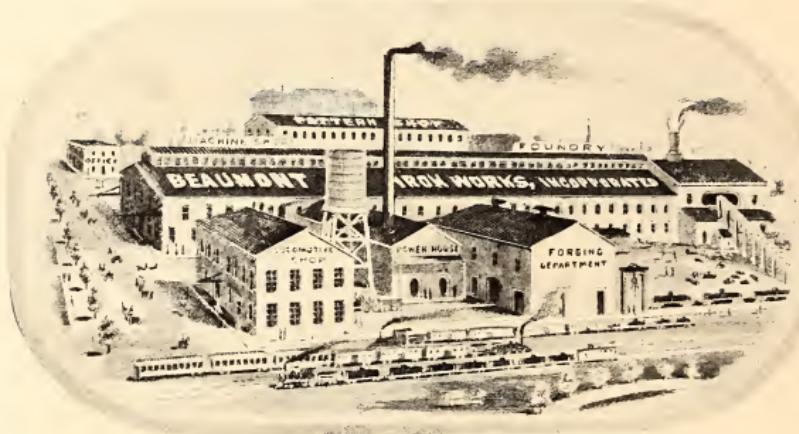
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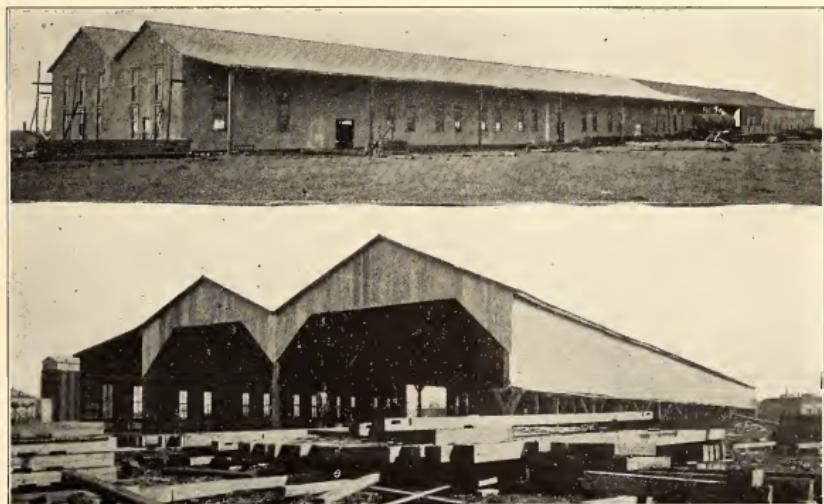
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Henry & Weaver, office No. 15 Alexander building. S. W. phone 483.

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V. Wiess & Son, No. 386 Tevis St. Both phones No. 9. See ad page 210.

**JEWELERS.**

Heilbron & Co., 474 Pearl St. S. W. phone 925; B. phone 955. See ad page 199.

Kolter Bros., 626 Crockett St. S. W. phone 79. See ad page 182.

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**LAUNDRIES.**

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Henry & Weaver. S. W. phone 483.

Irby, Smith & Ives, 100 to 111 Threadneedle Court. S. W. phone 733. B. phone 49. See ad page 207.

Pipkin & Langham. B. phone 515; S. W. phone 330. Ad page 209.

The Oswald Realty Co. Office, Rooms 9 and 10 Blanchette building. See ad page 211.

**SHOE DEALERS.**

Keith Shoe Co., 468 Pearl St. Phones 231.

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**TAILORS.**

Ernest F. Snyder, 730 Pearl St. S. W. phone 828. See ad page 184.

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**TENTS AND AWNINGS.**

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